

VANCOUVER HAS EPIHEMIC OF ROBBERIES

Victoria City Experiences Year of Steady Building Growth

TWO MILLION MARK NEAR AS YEAR CLOSES

Building Permits Show \$1,773,967 Already Spent on 762 Contracts, With Many Plans Under Way for Major Business Construction; 132 New Homes, 4 Factories, 6 Apartment Houses, 10 Warehouses, 12 Public Garages, 261 Private Garages Built in Busy Season

REST AIDS KING, SAY DOCTORS

Omission of Bulletin To-morrow Forenoon Indicates Progress of Royal Patient

Quiet Day Followed Period of Rest Sovereign Had Last Night

London, Dec. 22.—"The King had a quiet day and there is no change in his progress to report," was an announcement made by his physicians at 8.30 to-night. They added that no further bulletin would be issued until Sunday evening.

HAD REST LAST NIGHT

London, Dec. 22.—King George had a fairly restful night, and there was no disposition among the public this morning to regard it as other than satisfactory under the circumstances. The King's physicians by their recent statements have satisfied the popular mind that the case has taken a more favorable turn and that the King has been making real, if slight and slow progress.

INDIAN RESERVE PURCHASE IS ON TEN-YEAR BASIS

Vancouver Council Expects to Pay \$700,000 For Kitsilano Area

Vancouver, Dec. 22.—A recommendation that formal application be made to the Federal Government for sale of the Kitsilano Indian Reserve to the city on terms over ten years will be made to the City Council by Corporation Councilor G. H. McCrossan, K.C., who returned this morning from Ottawa, where he interviewed Federal Ministers with regard to a number of civic questions.

ILLINOIS POLICE HUNT MURDERER

Carroll, Ill., Dec. 22.—Immediate apprehension of the slayer of Miss Anna Preher, forty-five years old, whose body was found in her home here yesterday, was promised by Sheriff Jesse Crismon to-day. He would not reveal the nature of leads upon which he was working.

Leadership of Salvation Army Soon to Be Decided



MISS EVANGELINE BOOTH

STORMY TRIAL IN CHICAGO IS NEAR ITS END

Jury at Ranieri Kidnapping Hearing Expected to Decide To-night

Chicago, Dec. 22.—After nearly four weeks of courtroom proceedings here, punctuated with terrorism and death, the case of the kidnapping of ten-year-old Billy Ranieri is expected to go to the jury to-night.

The state will ask the death penalty for two of the three men on trial: Angelo Pettiti and Andrew Capellano. Tony Andrew's son, is also accused of being implicated.

GUARDED AT FUNERAL
With blackhand letters in their possession threatening them with death, and guarded by police and heavily armed detective squads, the judge, prosecutors and other principals of the case attended the funeral yesterday of Ole Scully, one of the state's chief witnesses, who was murdered since the trial began.

MRS. SIPPRESS DIED TO-DAY

Wife of Metropolitan Church Pastor Succumbs to Linger-ing Illness

After a lingering illness of more than a year's duration, Mrs. Jennie Ross Sippress, wife of Rev. Wilfred J. Sippress, D.D., pastor of the Metropolitan United Church, passed away at an early hour this morning at the family residence, 816 Johnson Street. A few weeks ago the malady from which Mrs. Sippress suffered took a turn for the worse and the end had been expected for some days.

The late Mrs. Sippress was born at St. Catherine's, Ontario, fifty-six years ago, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ross. She came to Victoria with her husband from Vancouver eight years ago, and until ill health intervened, took an active part in all the church activities. Her passing has cast a gloom over the whole congregation and much sympathy is being tendered to Dr. Sippress and their only daughter, Miss Thelma Ross Sippress, who is dietitian at the Victoria High School, in their sad bereavement.

New York, Dec. 22.—The New York Times to-day says Commander Evangeline Booth, chief executive of the Salvation Army in the United States, sailed secretly for England on the liner Olympic early to-day on a journey that may end with the removal of her brother, General Bramwell Booth, as international head of the army, and her election.

Dealing with the question of leadership in the Salvation Army, a London paper recently said:
The affairs of the Salvation Army are being vigorously discussed as the outcome of the decision to call a meeting of the High Council.

THOUSANDS JOIN IN TRIBUTE TO HON. W.C. NICHOL

Funeral To-day of Great Canadian Is Striking Demonstration of the Appreciation of His Contribution to the Welfare of His Adopted Province, His Public Service and His Widespread Munificence

Making the most impressive and solemn procession in Victoria since the funeral of the late Premier John Oliver hundreds of automobiles carrying mourners, representative of every walk of life, followed the remains of Hon. Walter C. Nichol, former Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia to the graveside at Royal Oak Burial Park this afternoon.

FOOTBALL IN BRITAIN TO-DAY

Results of League Games Played in Cities of United Kingdom

London, Dec. 22.—Football games to-day resulted as follows:
ENGLISH LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION
Arsenal 3, Burnley 1.
Birmingham 5, Leeds 1.
Blackburn 2, Cardiff 0.
Bolton 5, Leicester 0.
Derby County 8, Bury 1.
Everton 5, Newcastle 2.
Huddersfield 4, West Ham 0.
Manchester City 4, Liverpool 3.
Preston 3, Manchester United 0.
Sheffield Wednesday 4, Aston Villa 1.
Sunderland 4, Sheffield United 4.

SECOND DIVISION
Barnsley 2, Millwall 2.
Blackpool 3, Wolverhampton 0.
Bristol City 2, Port Vale 1.
Bristol City 2, Port Vale 1.
Chester 1, Notts County 1.
Clapton 1, Reading 1.
Grimsby 1, Middlesbrough 4.
Notts Forest 3, Hull City 1.
Stoke City 1, Preston 1.
Swansea 1, Southampton 1.
West Bromwich 3, Tottenham 2.

THIRD DIVISION
Northern Section
Aston 1, Lincoln 1.
Barnet 2, Stockport 4.
Chesterfield 4, Tranmere 1.
Darlington 4, Hartlepool 1.
Doncaster 1, Halifax 0.
Nelson 0, Accrington 2.
New Brighton 2, Wigan 2.

NEW SEARCH FAILS TO PROVE NORSEMEN LANDED IN AMERICA
Chicago, Dec. 22.—An expedition from the Field Museum has been unable to determine whether Norsemen landed on the coast of North America several hundred years before the voyage of Columbus.

WOMEN LEAVE KABUL

New Delhi, India, Dec. 22.—The Afghan Government has agreed that planes of the British Air Force shall remove all British and Indian women and children from the Legation at Kabul to-morrow.

Smallpox In Manitoba

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—Supplies of vaccine are being rushed to-day to the settlement of Richey, in southern Manitoba, where thirteen cases have been reported in a serious outbreak of smallpox was reported two months ago.

A new case of smallpox was reported to Winnipeg health authorities to-day.

Reports to Police Tell Of Number of Crimes By Bandits In Terminal City

RECOVERS FROM SEVERE ILLNESS



HON. J. E. CARON

Quebec, Dec. 22.—Hon. J. E. Caron, Minister of Agriculture of Quebec, has left hospital here where he had been confined for some weeks suffering from a severe attack of grip. The Minister is now convalescent and a speedy recovery is expected.

EXPLORERS GO TO INDO-CHINA

Field Museum Party Leaves B.C. Coast For the Orient

Men Hope to Take Back Many Zoological Specimens to Chicago

Vancouver, Dec. 22.—With a pair of high overboots over one arm, the other burdened with a worn trench coat and a walking stick, a rosy-cheeked blue-eyed young man to-day led three older companions down the steps of a local hotel into a waiting taxi and to the beginning of an adventure.

Looking as if he were barely out of his teens, Mr. Coolidge is the last member of the party a casual observer would pick out as the leader. But this youthful scientist has a biological yearning in Alaska and a medical expedition through Africa to his credit. He is modest and does not talk freely about his own achievements or the dangers which may lie ahead of his party on the present expedition. To him it is all as ordinary and prosaic as the high overboots he carried on his way from the hotel to the liner Empress of France, on the way to the Orient.

TO WORK FOR YEAR
The expedition will spend at least a year in the almost unknown interior of French Indo-China. The men are after zoological specimens.

Halifax, Dec. 22.—The moral lesson taught by an underworld movie show here prompted Charles Meade, nineteen, to surrender himself to police last night, saying he was wanted in Boston on a theft charge.

\$900 Taken From One Store; Window of Another Store Smashed by Robber, Who Takes Suit of Clothes and Escapes in Automobile; Transfer Company Office and Other Places Looted

AFGHAN REBEL FORCES LOSE

King's Troops Drive Them to Point Thirty-five Miles From Kabul

London, Dec. 22.—The Afghan Legation here announced this afternoon that the rebels of that country had been driven from the heights near Kabul and all roads leading to King Amanullah's capital had been cleared. The statement also reported communication had been established between the capital and the British Legation, which is situated two miles from the city limits.

NEW UNION FOR MICHIGAN RAIL LINES PLANNED
Washington, Dec. 22.—Security issues necessary to complete the Canadian National Railway project for combining all of the lines it owns in Michigan into a single corporation were presented to-day to the Interstate Commerce Commission here for approval.

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HOOVER GREETED BY BRAZILIANS
Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 22.—Herbert Hoover, President-elect of the United States, responding here to-day to the welcome given him on his goodwill tour by the President of the Brazilian Republic, said modern invention had lifted the burdens of man so the individual might rise by his own accomplishment as never before.

LITTLE JOE



Vancouver, Dec. 22.—A window smashing thief visited the premises of the National Clothes Shop at Cambie and Hastings Streets here at 4 a.m. to-day. Driving up in an automobile, the stranger walked to the front of the store, crashed a heavy bolt through the plate glass window, lifted a suit of clothes through the aperture, stepped into the automobile and drove away.

Threatening W. Kennedy, manager of the Star Coal Company, with a revolver, a lone bandit looted the cash drawer in the office of the company on Union Street of \$250 at 5.30 p.m. yesterday and escaped.

According to Mr. Kennedy's report to the police, the man, armed but unmasked, walked into the office, of which the manager was the sole occupant, and pointing a revolver at the latter, ordered him to remain quiet. The intruder then opened the door to the cash, backed through the door to the street and disappeared in the darkness.

A fair description of the bandit was given and the police are endeavoring to find him.

Breaking into the store of Thomas Morley on Nanaimo Street, burglars got away with confectionery and other goods valued at about \$90.

CASH TAKEN
Cash amounting to \$16 was stolen from the office of the Coast Transfer Company on Carrall Street, while from the Union Gasoline Station at Vine Street and Fourth Avenue \$1 in copper was taken.

Room Prowler
D. Hindman, Seventh Avenue East, reported the loss of \$5 after a visit from a room prowler, who stole his trousers, containing the cash and left the garment outside the building after removing the money.

From the automobile of E. J. McLeish, Aders Street, a revolver and a box of cartridges were stolen yesterday. The Rural Transfer Company, Water Street, reported the loss of a keg of molasses.

An attempt was made to enter KIRKMAN'S GROCERIES on Hastings Street West.

LITTLE JOE

A CRITIC OFTEN KNOCKS AFTER HE GETS IN.
The text of his response follows:
"I cherish as an honor this opportunity to meet the men selected by various committees to enact into law the will of the people of Brazil. We are engaged in the common task of working out effective government by the people."
GREATEST PROGRESS
"This great experiment in public welfare rests upon our confidence that the majority of the conclusions of an instructed people will in the long run be right and wise. We know mistakes will be made and that failures may discourage those who look for the millennium overnight, but in a survey of a century of experience in the Western Hemisphere we see we have made more progress in human welfare."

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Come and See It.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
Cocktails Any Size to Take Home

Olympia Oyster House

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Eastern, Olympia, Japanese, Crescent, Ladysmith, Esquimaux and

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Beautifully finished red Tennessee Cedar, screw and dovetail construction, methproof and disproofed.

\$12.75

Axminster Carpets

\$32.00

Bridge Lamps

\$12.75

Bed Springs

\$4.50

Bed Room Suits

\$95.00

Breakfast-room Suits

\$50.00

Blankets

\$10.25

Bedspreads

\$3.50

Bedside Table

\$5.50

Bed Lamps

\$5.90

Chesterfields

\$75.00

Chesterfield Suits

\$145.00

Carpets, from

\$32.00

Congoleum Rugs

\$12.50

Chesterfield Tables

\$19.50

Child's Crib

\$15.90

Card Tables

\$2.75

Carpet Sweepers

\$6.75

Comforters

\$3.75

Curtains, all descriptions

\$1.75

Cedar Chests

\$16.75

China Cabinets

\$45.00

Dining-room Suits

\$159.50

Decks

\$26.50

Dining Tables

\$24.50

Drapery in abundance

\$62.00

Davenport

\$10.75

Eiderdowns

\$21.75

Easy Chairs

\$16.90

Extension Couches

\$4.75

Fern Window Boxes

\$5.75

Grass Chairs

\$5.25

Headrugs

\$5.50

Newspaper Holders in art

\$4.75

enamel

\$17.50

Hall Mirrors

\$13.50

High Chairs

\$5.50

Kitchen Cabinets

\$31.00

Kitchen Tables for painting

\$7.95

Kitchen Chairs for painting

\$1.50

Lamps

\$14.85

Linoleum, all qualities

\$15.00

Library Table

\$19.75

Loose Covers made to order

\$1.75

Mirrors, all descriptions

\$71.00

Mirzapore Carpets

\$8.50

Mattresses from

\$6.25

Medicine Cabinets

\$11.50

Occasional Chairs

\$21.75

Pedestals

\$12.50

Pillows, up from

\$1.25

Rayon Bedspreads

\$16.50

Rattan Chairs

\$8.25

Rayon Panels

\$3.25

Radio Tables

\$8.65

Ranges, from

\$54.50

Smokers' Stands

\$1.75

Smokers' Cabinets

\$12.75

Sea Grass Chairs

\$5.25

Standard Lamps

\$15.50

Stair Cabinets

\$15.75

Stair Carpet, per yard

\$3.50

Small Rugs

\$5.50

Sanitary Couches

\$16.90

Table Runners

\$2.85

Unpolished Chairs

\$21.75

Window Chairs

\$9.75

Window Blinds

\$9.00

Writing Tables

\$29.50

Walnut End Tables

\$12.90

Walnut Desks

\$26.50

Walnut Drop-leaf Tables

\$24.75

Walnut Magazine Stands

\$18.50

Walnut Pedestals

\$12.50

Wrought Iron Ferneries

\$4.75

Standard Furniture Co.

719 Yates

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New B.C. Publication Brings Blushes to Government Cheek

Minister of Finance Introduces Nice New B.C. Bulletin All Dressed Up in Different Clothes to Sings Paeans of Praise for Cabinet Members, Only to Find He Must Make Another Right About Face, He Denied An Encore and Withdraw From Circulation All Copies Not Already Distributed

All fixed up in a new and improved typographical dress and graduating from the class of a pamphlet to that of quite an impressive monthly magazine, the British Columbia Bulletin has made her debut, her bow and her exit. Hon. W. C. Shelly, Minister of Finance, the fair godfather who helped the modest little journalistic cinderella to become the belle of the Government Printing Office ball, has had another hope dashed to the ground.

A week or two ago Mr. Shelly announced with confidence and enthusiasm that the former B.C. Bulletin which had been issued as an interesting, informative, but unspectacular pamphlet for those interested in British Columbia, was to be placed under the management of an expert and become a "gem" among magazines.

But in the main it will doubtless be found that very few men have suffered any disturbance through the change of Government.

The next paragraph, too, is devoted to praise for the Government and its instructions for an audit of the accounts of all departments.

It is a pity that the Government has not been able to do this.

But the score was denied. Admittedly it was wonderful, but some one raised awkward questions. Will the public like it as much as we do or will they call it propaganda? Can propaganda be printed in the Government Printing Office at the expense of the Government? A hundred copies had been distributed and there were already indications that the starting use of the Government Printing Office for this purpose promised to bring down a storm upon the Government, and add one more subject to the already long list that promises to make the next session of the B.C. Legislature heated and prolonged.

Mr. Shelly was forced to cancel the plan. Distribution of all copies has been stopped. The minister not only cancelled the present issue, but the B.C. Bulletin, which he had decided was worth while to the extent that it should be enlarged, but will not even permit it to revert to the Cinderella class again.

It is out and out for good again. On considering the matter, he says, "the cabinet decided that no useful purpose could be served by continuing the publication of the Bulletin at all."

Recalling that during the last provincial general election campaign Conservatives charged that a pamphlet giving facts and figures on British Columbia was nothing but election propaganda printed at the expense of the Government for the Liberal Party, the British Columbia Bulletin as last issued is of particular interest.

The Premier and his Ministers have before been featured, but this proves no reason to the new editor why another picture of Hon. S. F. Tolmie, accompanied by a laudatory article of how he is preaching the " Gospel of confidence and courage," should not occupy the whole of the front page and spread over to the inside pages.

Judging the spirit of the paper from the editorial page, it would appear that the sole ambition of the British Columbia Bulletin was to tell the world how fine the present Government of British Columbia is and what fine fellows the members of the Cabinet have created a spirit of confidence and optimism. The next editorial tells how Government policies have given universal satisfaction throughout British Columbia and how efficiency has become the watchword of the new Administration.

AXE UNSHEATHED

The editor in this paragraph also takes occasion to warn some officials that the axe is still unsheathed.

"In all probability," he says, "some officials who may have displayed more party zeal than public service may find it desirable to seek a better anchorage."

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Tea Kettle Trazoom, next to Ritz. Breakfasts, lunches, afternoon teas and suppers.

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PROBATES GRANTED

Probates and administrations issued out of the Supreme Court this week include the following estates:

Thomas William Smith, late of Victoria, who died on November 12, 1928, estate \$29,486.

Peter Rattray Lundie, late of Victoria, who died on November 3, 1928, estate \$4,505.

Alfred Nash Mullett, residing of Ontario probate, British Columbia estate \$3,200.

Probate was also granted in the estate of Hugh Ferguson, who died at Victoria on October 18 last, with an estate of \$399,943. The testator left an income for life on a fund of \$75,000 to the widow, Mrs. Adele Ferguson. To a son, James D. Ferguson, he left \$10,000 and an annuity of \$3,000 for life and a half year with the residue of the estate after that period. To a brother, Duncan Ferguson, the testator bequeathed \$5,000; to a stepson, William Winter, \$2,000; to a niece, Miss Christie McNab, \$2,000, and to a grand-niece, Christie McNab, \$2,000. Other bequests totaling \$18,000 were made to relatives residing in Scotland.

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Money Vote For Montreal Families

Montreal, Dec. 22.—The Montreal City Council is to be asked to adopt the plan of the Santa Claus by voting the distribution of \$20,000 among the families who suffered loss of human life in the Laurier Palace Theatre fire. Alderman Desrosiers, chairman of the civic executive committee, announced last night he would place the proposal before the council immediately so that it should vote the money it would

be given the stricken families during the Christmas festival season. The plan would mean a compensation of about \$275 to each of the families, many of whom are of the poorer classes, for each life lost in the theatre. The catastrophe claimed seventy-three victims, mostly children.

MAN KILLED BY TRAIN

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—Disregarding repeated warnings not to loiter around the Canadian Pacific Railway yard, Vilko Sekimen, crippled Finlander, was fatally injured Thursday night when several shunted cars passed over his body. He expired shortly after being admitted to a hospital.

DARE ENDS IN DEATH

Red Bluff, Cal., Dec. 22.—A dare, passed between two men who were drinking in a cabin near Los Molinos, was taken, and as a result K. H. Regan shot and killed Angelo Barrutta, witnesses told Sheriff Floyd Hull here yesterday. Buck Richardson and Bud Byrd, who were in the cabin, said Barrutta dared Regan to shoot him and that the latter accepted the taunt. Barrutta leaves a widow and two children living at Los Molinos.

Customer (waiting his order in a fish cafe)—Hi, waiter, you're a deuce of a time getting that snapper. What bait are you using?

QUEBEC FLIER LOSES HIS LIFE

Pilot Has Leg Broken When Plane Crashes in Snow-storm

Granby, Que., Dec. 22.—Marcel Fortier, eighteen-year-old flying enthusiast of Sherbrooke, Que., met instant death and Pilot E. O. Champagne, forty, Rosemount, Que., escaped with a fractured leg when their plane, a Hisco-Swallow, crashed on a farm near Brigham, Que., yesterday. Brigham is the first station on the Canadian Pacific Railway east of Farnham. From information obtained by Coroner Dr. J. W. Runnels of Granby, Que., who held an inquest last night at which a verdict of accidental death was rendered, the men were voyaging from Sherbrooke to Montreal, when they lost their way near Brigham, Que., owing to poor visibility, while flying into a blinding snowstorm. An official court of inquiry will be convened to investigate the circumstances surrounding this casualty, but the date has not yet been fixed.

TO BE HONORED

Vancouver, Dec. 22.—R. R. Burns, a member of the Vancouver General Hospital board for eleven years, attended his last regular meeting of the board Thursday. His fellow directors decided to tender him a complimentary dinner at the hospital on December 28. Mr. Burns, who has held every office on the board, from chairman down, is to leave Vancouver within the next two weeks to open a business in Trail. The term of office of the other Provincial Government appointees will expire at the end of January.

VANCOUVER ISLAND NEWS

Duncan

The funeral of the late Mrs. W. H. Elington took place on Thursday afternoon at St. Peter's Church, Quamichan. The church was filled to capacity with sorrowing relatives and friends. Two hymns were sung, "Thy Will Be Done" and "Peace, Perfect Peace," with B. W. Clements at the organ. Archdeacon H. A. Collison was the officiating clergyman.

The floral tributes were very beautiful and numerous, testifying to the esteem in which Mrs. Elington was held by all who knew her. Members of St. Peter's Guild, which is now disbanded, met at the pretty home of Mrs. C. R. Drayton, Quamichan Lake, at the kind invitation, on Wednesday afternoon to present Mrs. John Fox and Mrs. P. W. Stanhope, who have been president and treasurer of the society for many years, with a small token of their esteem and appreciation.

Nanaimo

The death occurred Thursday evening at 8 o'clock of Mrs. Ann Elizabeth Dean at the family residence, 528 Kennedy Street. She was sixty-six years of age and had been in Nanaimo for the last forty-five years. She was predeceased by her husband, William Dean, in 1923. She is survived by four sons, William, Vancouver, Abraham, Nanaimo, Wilfred, Seattle, and Garnet, San Francisco, and one daughter, Mrs. George Vincent, Nanaimo.

The funeral arrangements, which are in the hands of D. J. Jenkins & Company, are not yet completed. It is requested no flowers be sent.

T. Radford was brought to Nanaimo hospital yesterday from Granby, where he had suffered severe injuries when his gloved hand got caught in the cogwheels of the hoisting engine he was operating. His hand was so badly injured it was found necessary to amputate the patient's right arm below the elbow. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Radford, Ladysmith.

Woman, Hurl'd Twenty Feet In Accident, Dies

Regina, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Sophia Magel, thirty-one, Regina, died yesterday of injuries received when she was hurled twenty feet after the Magel automobile had been struck by C.P.R. No. 3 Thursday night. Victor G. Magel was driving his car north on Winnipeg Street and stopped at the crossing to allow a freight train to pass. He failed to notice the oncoming passenger train and drove directly in front of it. Magel was only slightly injured.

RURAL CREDITS

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—Compromises and adjustments, which may make the losses of the rural credits venture in Manitoba total \$1,000,000, are recommended in a report filed by the Department of Finance. The report was presented to the Board of Finance, with Hon. W. R. Clubb, Acting Premier.

Evergreens In the Garden

By JOHN HUTCHISON, F.R.H.S.

If you desire beauty in your garden all the year 'round, plant evergreens lavishly. They add a richness and dignity unobtainable in any other way. Owing to the great variation in their form, size and color, they are well suited to all types of gardening. The tall, stately spires of the pyramidal cedars are usually associated with architectural features, whereas the spreading junipers are well placed either in the rock garden or in beds of mixed evergreens.

Lawn specimens and woodland plantations are, for the most part, supplied by pines, spruce and fir. COLOR POSSIBILITIES Wonderful color effects may be obtained by a careful selection of varieties. Blues being provided by the Koster and Colorado blue spruce, the red by cedar and the Swedish juniper, and the yellow by the golden-leaved Retinospora, and Thuja, which both contrast in a delightful way with the tress of a more somber green. It seems to the writer, now the dark, dull season of the year is with us, when the garden, except for its evergreen subjects, is not the beauty spot it is in the summer time, that it is in order to say something about those plants which will give life to the garden during the winter months. All the subjects that are mentioned in the beginning of these notes are

quite easy to grow in any garden on this Coast, and none of them is subject to any trouble in the matter of pests or disease. They have only one drawback, and that is they are not as cheap as smaller plants.

COST OF GROWING

There is a very good reason for this. All conifers are slow growing in the early stages, and it takes anything from five to ten years to grow a tree to a reasonable, saleable size. Every two years it must be dug up, its tap root cut and re-planted, or it would become so well established in the nursery that it simply could not be moved. All these things take time and money.

Against this matter of price one must set the advantage of an almost everlasting subject. A conifer of any of the varieties named will live for four or five hundred years, which is long enough for most people to look forward to. After all, they are cheap at the price.

If the matter of price is vital and one still wants evergreens try the Monterey Cypress (Cupressus macrocarpa). This tree is probably the fastest growing of all conifers and is therefore less costly. It is a very handsome tree and may be clipped or trimmed to any desired shape or, by the same means, kept to any desired height. Its rate of growth is really amazing.

OTHER SUBJECTS

Besides the coniferous evergreens there are other plants which are evergreen without being coniferous. Many of the Cotoneaster family are evergreen, or nearly so, and may well be used in conjunction with the others to brighten up the landscape by reason of the red and scarlet berries, which they produce during the winter months.

The whole great family of Berberis should also be considered. All of them are not evergreen, but a great many of them carry a wonderful crop of berries which are among the gayest things in a winter landscape. Then we have the so-called broad-leaved evergreens. This class includes the Rhododendrons, evergreen Azaleas, laurels and so on. All of these may be used to advantage in conjunction with other evergreen subjects.

FOR WHOLE YEAR

Rhododendrons are, of course, in a class by themselves as being truly all-the-year-round plants. They are evergreen and, in addition, they have a considerable period of bloom in the Spring. In growing these, however, one must be sure that the soil is lime-free, because they simply hate lime. It is a mistake, though, to think that they must be grown in peat, for they will do very well in leaf mould, and in fact may be seen in a quite happy condition in ordinary garden loam. Don't overlook the holly as an all-the-year-round plant, but be sure that you get plants that bear berries.

Ontario Brewers To Abandon Plan For Association

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 22.—The brewers of Ontario are reported to be considering giving up the plan for a protective association following the action of Hon. W. H. Price, Attorney-General, in issuing an ultimatum saying that if the brewers could not stop "short-circuiting" he would cancel the charters of those whose beer found its way into bootlegging channels in the province.

Although the scene of the meeting at which the final details of the association were to have been agreed on today was supposed to have been transferred from Toronto to Ottawa, it was learned the brewers were not very keen about the association unless they could have, by arrangement with the Government, power to discipline members and exporters who break the law by allowing "short-circuiting."

There was also a hint that W. E. Gundy, who had been offered the post of chairman of the proposed commission, would not accept the post unless punitive powers were granted even should the association proceed.

Reinforcements Join King's Troops In Afghanistan

London, Dec. 22.—The Afghan Legion here last night admitted the seriousness of the revolt in the vicinity of Kabul, capital of Afghanistan, advising the Legation showing that instead of 400 bandits as previously stated, there were 7,000 well armed men disguised as Afghan troops participating in the disorders. These uniforms led to a report the army had revolted.

Sardinian Bandit Killed By Police

Nuoro, Sardinia, Dec. 22.—With a price of 100,000 lire (about \$4,000) on his head, Santino Succo, bandit chief, was killed yesterday in a battle with police at the village of Orgosolo. Succo, who was only twenty-six years old, became leader of the marauding band after its old chieftain, Samuel Stocchino, had been shot by gendarmes earlier this year. He was charged with five murders, two attempted murders, numerous thefts and the killing of a herd of 420 head of cattle.

Civil Servants Are To Form Council

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—The Ottawa Journal says: "Early in the new year representatives of eleven civil service organizations and officials to be named by the Government will meet under the chairmanship of Hon. Peter Heenan, Minister of Labor, to draw up a constitution for the National Civil Service Council."

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R. V. HAYES OF MONTREAL DIES

Montreal, Dec. 22.—R. V. Hayes, well-known business man and vice-president of the Montreal Kiwanis Club, died at his home last night of pneumonia. He was fifty-years of age.

Army of Paraguay Ceases Recruiting

Asuncion, Paraguay, Dec. 22.—The Government of Paraguay to-day ordered the army not to accept any more of the volunteers who began to flock to the colors when war with Bolivia seemed imminent. The Government believed further additions to the army would withdraw vital manpower from both the farms and industries.

BANDIT ATTEMPTED MURDER

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—A clerk in a little corner drugstore here missed death narrowly last night when he attempted to pursue two young, heavily armed bandits who had stolen \$140 from his cash register. As the armed youths started to leave the store the clerk, P. Doner, attempted to follow them. One bandit immediately opened fire, the bullet missing its mark narrowly. The men made good their escape in a stolen automobile.

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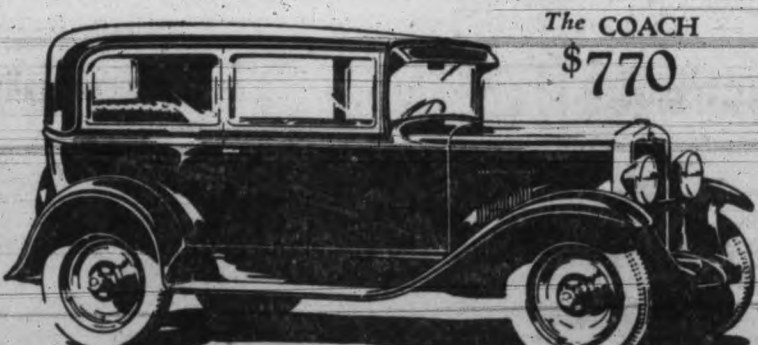


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SIGNS OF PROSPERITY

IT IS EXPECTED THAT BY THE END of next year the number of motor vehicles in British Columbia will run into six figures. Latest statistics show that the total at the beginning of this month had reached 84,769. In other words, at the present time there is approximately one motor car to every six persons in this province.

If proof of British Columbia's thriving condition were needed it may be found in the facts to which we refer above. But there is much other even more convincing evidence of our prosperity than that which our motor car records reveal. The year which now is drawing to a close, for instance, very likely will turn out to be a record year for home building throughout the province. This is the most encouraging sign of all.

As far as Victoria is concerned, we have seen bank clearings every week showing a very marked increase over the business in the corresponding weeks of 1927 which, by the way, revealed a similar increase over the preceding year. Taken altogether, therefore, we may enter the festive season in a cheerful spirit.

BERLIN'S "WHITE LADY"

THE SPECTRAL "WHITE LADY" HAS appeared again in the former imperial palace at Berlin, and superstitious Germans are saying that this foretells the early death of Kaiser Wilhelm.

This "white lady" is the ancestral ghost of the Hohenzollerns. Ever since 1806 she has flitted into view on the eve of disaster. Her appearance, legend says, is always followed by some catastrophe—death or something else. Wilhelm, it is said, saw her a few days before the final rumbling of the German lines in 1918 compelled him to abdicate his throne and flee to Holland.

Now she is seen again. The old imperial palace is a museum, and a night watchman affirms that the spectre was seen by him gliding in and out of the suite formerly occupied by Wilhelm himself—which makes it obvious that whatever happens will happen to Wilhelm and not to a lesser Hohenzollern.

Wilhelm, for all we know, may be quite unworried by all this; indeed, the man who used to be the kaiser is, in some way, in a rather enviable position. Nothing that can happen to him—not even death—can be much of a misfortune for him. When November 11 of 1918 came and found him roosting in uneasy safety across the Dutch border, his life had really come to an end. Any subsequent event was bound to be an anti-climax.

For Wilhelm, born under an unlucky star, lived too long. In his life he came to be a symbol for an outworn system. He was the supreme figurehead and earthly representative of an archaic idea—the idea of divine kingship. That idea, along with much other rubbish accumulated by the centuries, was blown to bits by the guns on the western front. When it vanished, Wilhelm, too, had vanished.

The flesh and bones of him still exist, of course. A grey-haired old man with a withered arm has continued to eat, walk and sleep at Doorn, emitting protests, complaints and explanations ever so often; but the real man—the imperial war lord who held fleets and armies in his hand—died with his soldiers in France and Flanders—along the Hindenburg line. The shadow still hangs on, but its existence is important to no one—not even to Wilhelm.

It is the fate of most of us to be symbols of something, outside ourselves. Our lives attain coherence and nobility only when we identify ourselves with some force or movement in which others may share. Wilhelm of Germany was supremely unlucky in that he tied himself to a thing that was doomed to die. The world advanced beyond the idea that he embodied, and he died with it.

The "white lady" of the Hohenzollerns may flit through the deserted palace at will; it no longer matters. The last of the kaisers has been dead for a decade.

FROM POLITICS TO BUSINESS

STILL ANOTHER FORMER PROMINENT figure in British official life has gone into business. Earl Jellicoe, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Fleet during the war, has become a director of the Midland Bank. Because the great sailor's entry into the City came so soon after Lord Birkenhead's dramatic departure from Whitehall to the marts of commerce, widespread interest throughout Great Britain has been occasioned. A good deal of speculation is going on as to who will be the next recruit for the business world.

Earl Jellicoe, of course, has merely followed the example of many men who after earning distinction in other fields have decided to take an active part in the direction of industrial, commercial and financial concerns. It is interesting to recall that the bank of which he now has become a director is considered

over by one who once played an important and distinguished part in British political life, Mr. Reginald McKenna, a former Chancellor of the Exchequer, who also is chairman of the Tobacco Securities Trust, Ltd.

Among those other well-known figures who have left the official realm for business in late years are Sir Eric Geddes, former Minister of Transport, now chairman of the Dunlop Rubber Company; Lord Reading, late Viceroy of India; Lord Bledisloe, at one time Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Agriculture; Mr. Kellaway, former Postmaster-General; Mr. Edward Shoit, a former Home Secretary; Sir Robert Hohn, a former Chancellor of the Exchequer; Sir William Sutherland, and Lord Buckmaster.

Political life in Great Britain is expensive. The private member of the House of Commons is paid \$2,000 for many months of work. The Prime Minister draws \$25,000, or only a fraction of the stipend which dozens of commercial leaders pocket each year. It is small wonder, therefore, if the emoluments of private business occasionally are found more than ordinarily attractive to the parliamentarian who feels the urge to increase his bank balance in a legitimate manner.

SOME PEOPLE EASILY PLEASED

EDITORIAL COMMENTS FROM THE Calgary Herald on the recent by-election result in Victoria illustrate the soundness of the theory that it takes very little to satisfy some people. It calls the verdict a condemnation of the general record of the King Administration, and regards it as a genuine compliment to the leadership of Hon. R. B. Bennett. "It indicates that his course since his elevation to the party leadership in Winnipeg is inspiring general confidence."

We may assume The Calgary Herald noted that Mr. Bennett came to Victoria to take part in the campaign and delivered three speeches. When the news of the result reached him he no doubt took out pencil and paper in order to discover by how much the majority which Dr. Tolmie rolled up in 1926 had been reduced by the Liberal candidate on this occasion. The first count gave the reduction as approximately 2,700 votes, the recount completed yesterday adding nine to the opposition candidate's original margin of eighty-three. In two years, during most of which time Mr. Bennett has been leader of the Conservative Party of Canada, a majority of 2,781 has dropped to one of ninety-two.

If this remarkable change in the political sentiment of Victoria is regarded by The Calgary Herald as "a condemnation of the general record of the King Administration" and "a genuine compliment to the leadership of Hon. R. B. Bennett," our contemporary is an optimist of the first magnitude.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

TALL TALK
The Chicago Tribune

So long as the United States seem to indulge itself constantly in large and tall talking of the international moralities of peace, good will, service, humanity, and of protecting the rest of the world from the things it wants to do, it will continue to infuriate other people who owe it money. This may be unjust, but it is as human as Adam.

A THOUGHT

For I desired mercy and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.—Hosea vi 6.
Mercy often inflicts death.—Seneca.

WHAT JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER
By Bruce Catton

John D. Rockefeller has passed another milestone. He is eighty-nine years old now, and the columns of space given his birthday by the daily papers testify to the power of his name as a symbol.
The name Rockefeller has almost ceased to mean an individual, with human likes, desires and frailties. For more than a generation it has stood for great wealth; when we hear it we think, in passing, of a spare, slightly withered old man—but most of all we think of a mighty fortune. To all intents and purposes, no man can go higher along the path of getting money than Rockefeller has gone.
That is quite proper, for Rockefeller was supremely typical of the era in which he rose to power. Future generations will find in the story of his life a very adequate history of the customs, morals, conditions and ideals in the great Gilded Age.

Rockefeller began life as a poor man's son—a very poor man's son. He started his career as a clerk on starvation wages. From the beginning he knew what he wanted, every act of his life was devoted to gaining his end. His climb began slowly, then gathered momentum rapidly; a dizzy rush upward followed, in which competitors were ruthlessly wrecked or absorbed, while the Rockefeller fortune became a vast, overshadowing giant, holding almost unlimited power over money and men.

Many men admired him; many more hated him. And this hatred arose not so much from a dislike of his business methods as from a dim, subconscious sort of feeling that no one man ought to have so much power. Democracy, that began as a nation of farmers and woodsmen, had developed into a nation of industry and finance. Rockefeller saw the implications before anyone else, and acted on them. His rise symbolized, to the average man, an unwelcome change in conditions, and for long his name was anathema.

All of that has changed. In his old age Rockefeller has won the public's affection. Pictures of him and stories about him are always received eagerly by newspaper readers. He is one of the day's most popular figures.
That changed attitude is generally ascribed to his great benefactions. Unquestionably he has used his wealth wisely and well. Yet it seems that there is another reason. The country has accepted the change that has come upon it. It has discovered that industrialization does not necessarily mean the end of all the old virtues. It has learned that dominance by bank, factory and railroad brings new advantages, as well as new problems.

Rockefeller's change from a ruthless, hard-hitting business captain to a seraph, kindly old man, seeking to do as much good as he can for his fellows, is typical of the change that has come over the country as a whole. High finance and big business are no longer

POULIE

By FAYAN MATHEY

NUMBER FORTY-ONE

S-A-6
H-S-6-4
D-None
C-A-3

NORTH
S-1-10-2
H-None
D-None
C-1-10-7-6
WEST
S-3-3
H-10-3
D-None
C-K-2-2

Hearts are trumps and South has the lead. North and South must win six of the seven tricks, against a perfect defence.

Layout your cards on a table, as shown in the diagram, and study the situation. See if you can find a method of play that will net North and South six of the seven tricks.

Solution to-morrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

Here you must be very generous and give your opponents a trick which they can easily be prevented from winning. Immediately, however, you let them show their appreciation by giving you two or three tricks in return.

South leads a club. North trumps with one of his spades, and the remaining trump honor is led. The small trump follows and West must accept the gift, after South has thrown away one of his spades. And West must also now lead a heart. East discards a spade and South wins, then promptly takes another heart trick. In this second lead of the suit, East must either surrender the king, or he must bid farewell to his king of clubs. In either case the paring is bid.

The only other method of play which is not shattered by a very brief study, is for North to trump low on the opening lead. But if he does, the trump is then led. East will have North in all sorts of trouble. And if the ace of spades is led, West will trump, then shut his eyes and return any card but the ace of spades. If North and South are to win a total of more than three tricks.

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The WEATHER
Daily Bulletin Published by the Victoria Motor-Boat Club

Victoria, Dec. 22-3 a.m.—The barometer has fallen on the northern coast and unsettled weather prevails over this Province. Higher temperatures have occurred in the interior.

Reports

Victoria—Barometer, 30.41; temperature, maximum yesterday 45, minimum 41; wind, 12 miles N.E. rain, 25; weather, cloudy.
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.43; temperature, maximum yesterday 42, minimum 40; wind, 4 miles N.E. rain, 34; weather, cloudy.
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.35; temperature, maximum yesterday 32, minimum 29; wind, 4 miles E. weather, clear.
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, maximum yesterday 34, minimum 22; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.62; temperature, maximum yesterday 46, minimum 40; wind, 64 miles S.E. rain, 14; weather, rain.

Esquw Point—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, maximum yesterday 50, minimum 40; wind, 12 miles S.E. rain, 10; weather, cloudy.
Tasooch—Barometer, 30.33; temperature, maximum yesterday 50, minimum 44; wind, 16 miles E. rain, 14; weather, cloudy.
Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.48; temperature, maximum yesterday 38, minimum 30; wind, 4 miles N.W. rain, 41; weather, clear.
Seattle—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday 44, minimum 40; wind, 4 miles E. rain, 66; weather, cloudy.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, maximum yesterday 54, minimum 54; wind, 4 miles E. weather, clear.

Temperature

Location	Max.	Min.
Victoria	45	41
Nanaimo	43	40
Vancouver	42	40
New Westminster	42	37
Esquw Point	50	40
Grand Forks	42	34
Nelson	36	24
Swift Current	36	24
Calgary	36	24
Edmonton	28	20
Saskatoon	30	18
Regina	30	18
Winnipeg	30	18
Montreal	30	24
St. John	20	14
Halifax	40	24
Dawson	4	6

Other People's Views

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and briefly written. The longer an article the shorter the chance of insertion. All communications must be clearly headed with the name and address of the writer, but not for publication unless the writer desires it. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed for the return of communications submitted to the Editor.

SUNDAY CONCERTS

To the Editor:—In view of the fact that the Lord's Day Alliance is again protesting against Sunday evening concerts can any person whose mind is clear see any harm in them? I object to them interfering with what I think is a good cause, particularly the concert for the dear little kiddies at the Orphanage. Now, sir, if we had a few more gentlemen like Mr. J. North it would do the world good. It is a pity the same gentlemen who are protesting could not get in and help out such a good cause. Above all, J. North is doing more good service in God's eyes than a lot of people who have more time than he has and God will certainly bless him for his good work. While on this point may I ask them why they get up concerts in chapels and churches and charge for them. Surely God never intended a place of worship to be used as a theatre or a place of amusement. Now all I can say is for these gentlemen to not interfere with other people's affairs. If they have not enough to occupy their mind, let them get out and try to do a bit of good. There are hospitals to visit and perhaps families who would like a little help and various other things. Let the police commissioners file the letters of the Alliance and take

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PIONEER WOMEN

To the Editor:—To encourage book production in Victoria it is hoped that the sale of that worthy work, "The Pioneer Women of Vancouver Island," will be sold out. The effort put forth by the "Women's Canadian Club" in undertaking the publication of the book is a laudable one and deserving of all praise. May the public so recognize the effort by freely purchasing books making it at least one of their Christmas gifts there by preparing the way for the second volume.

R. T. WILLIAMS.

934 View Street.

WHY THE DIFFERENCE

To the Editor:—In regard to your not knowing the reason why bread made from Canadian flour is cheaper than here, I will give you some pointers on the matter. Bread-making is the "hub of the universe" as regards the import of food stuffs at least, and with all or mostly all of foreign grain making it at least one of their Christmas gifts there by preparing the way for the second volume.

The Socialists have a remedy for this. Whether people as a whole will arrive at a degree of intelligence to put that remedy into use remains to be seen.

W. E. HILL.

819 Cook Street, City.

TORONTO MOTOR MEN ASSIST IN GARAGE OPENING

S. Mackay and B. G. Mortimer of Durant Motors Here For Atkinson Event To-day

S. Mackay, wholesale sales representative of Durant Motors of Canada Limited, and B. G. Mortimer, representative of the Durant Service Division, are at the Empress Hotel today from Toronto. "We are here to connect with the opening of the new garage and sales showroom on Yates Street," said Mr. Mortimer this morning. The Atkinson Motor Company will open its new showroom for automobile display to-night and will move from its old premises at 809 Yates Street on Monday to the handsome new garage building recently erected east of the Dominion Theatre. The Toronto representatives of the Durant Company conferred during the morning with Charles W. Lovell, manager of the Atkinson Motor Company, when details attending the transfer were completed.

Attached to the service division of Durant Motors Limited, Mr. Mortimer has with him a motion picture outfit which he uses in connection with his lectures to motor mechanics in his travels across the continent.

BUSINESS IS FINE

"The business of the company is expanding rapidly," said Mr. Mortimer in speaking of the development of the Durant interests in Canada. "We have had an exceptionally good year."

Messrs Mackay & Mortimer will be in Victoria until next week, when they will return East.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

The Victoria Daily Times, December 22, 1903.

On Thursday at the board of trade rooms the regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital was held there being a large attendance. President Day was in the chair.

The list of candidates for the approaching municipal elections is mounting higher each day and the prospect of a good fight is quite apparent. The children in the Victoria West Sunday School, of which Dr. Lewis Hall is superintendent, held a concert last evening in Sempie's Hall.

Already there is evidence of the probable effect of the approaching enforcement of the new Chinese immigration law. Steamship agents say there can be no doubting the result of raising of the Chinese poll tax from \$100 to \$500 at the beginning of the year.

The third annual meeting of the Victoria Sealing Association will be held on Monday, when it is expected that some very important matters will be brought up for discussion.

To build a permanent roadway across Rock Bay and gradually displace with the public utility of the present long and winding bridge is one of the commendable subjects receiving the consideration just now of the City Council.

The second annual meeting of the Victoria Horticultural Society, was held last evening in the City Hall. Officers for the coming year were elected.

INQUEST INTO DEATH MONDAY

Wilfred Calvet Dies in Hospital From Bullet Wound

The inquest into the death of Wilfred Calvet, 338 1/2, North Park Street, who died in hospital from the effects of a bullet wound, will be held at Hayward's Bazaar Funeral Chapel on Monday at 10 a.m. It was announced by Coroner E. C. Hart this morning.

Calvet passed away yesterday afternoon, shortly after he had been removed from his home to the hospital. He was discovered lying in his bed in a serious condition about 4 o'clock following a report to the police by P. G. Raby, 2672 Douglas Street.

Constables Duncan McPherson and Sidney Wilkinson, who responded to the call, found that Calvet had been shot through the upper left chest by a rifle bullet. The butt of the rifle, when found, lay under the man's right leg and the barrel on his chest, according to the police report. There was one loaded cartridge and one discharged shell in the rifle.

DOUGLAS CABARET ARRANGES NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT

An exceptionally out of the ordinary idea in cabaret entertainment will be presented to the patrons of the Douglas Cabaret during Christmas week. Instead of the ordinary song and dance entertainment "Tommy and Lex" have prepared a clever stage show entitled "Christmas in a Country School." The entire company of the Rosebud Polles, augmented with several additional artists, will be dressed in typical school and costume. There will be the crabby old teacher, the bad boy, the teacher's pet, the silly girl, the good little girl and all the other childhood school characters that we all love to look back at and remember. The play will be interspersed throughout with song and dance numbers. A jazz orchestra will furnish the music for public dancing, and "Tommy and Lex" will be in evidence every moment.

It is Mr. Castellani's own idea to have a playlet presented in his cabaret, as this form of entertainment has been put on in many of the cabarets in the East. This is the first time that anything of this kind has been presented in Victoria. The idea of this type of entertainment is to get away from the old picture jollies, and to inject real life into the affair.

Galiano

At the recent Winter Fair, Galiano Island did remarkably well in the pigeon show, which was the largest exhibition of fancy pigeons and racing homers ever held on the Pacific Coast. Almost sixty pigeons of various varieties went from the loft of Mr. Miller Higgs and Mr. Lord won one first prize, one second prize and three third prizes for Nuns. Mr. Higgs won first, second and third prizes for Pouter hens, also the challenge cup for the best young blue Pouter in the show. The Pyn Trophy for the best blue Pouter was also won by Mr. Higgs. Mr. Miller Higgs won as well three first prizes, a second prize and two third prizes for Pouters.

Mr. and Mrs. Higgs have recently been presented with a beautiful permanent executed in silk from the commodore, officers and members of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club, as a token of their appreciation of the hospitality extended to them and to visiting yachtsmen of the Pacific Coast clubs during the last two seasons, when they have congregated in the sheltered waters of Wharfed Bay.

The new wharf at Sturdies Bay is now finished. It is eighty-five feet

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further out than the old wharf head, in deeper water and is one of the best wharves in the whole of the Gulf Islands. The official opening of the new wharf will take place in the Spring.

The St. Charmer now calls at the Galiano wharf direct from Vancouver.

The vicar, the Rev. M. Holmes, held a service in the mission hall here.

Colonel Fawkes of Mayne Island was a recent visitor here.

Captain and Mrs. Gilmour have gone

to Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris have left for Vancouver to visit.

Miss E. York has gone to Vancouver.

MAYNE ISLAND

Lady Constance Fawkes has been spending a few days in Victoria.

Colonel Fawkes paid a short visit to Galiano Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones have returned home after spending a week in Victoria.

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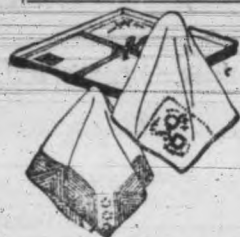
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Women's Gift Gloves

Women's Handsewn Capeskin Gauntlets in pullon style. Shades of mode, grey and beaver. \$3.50 Pair

Women's Smart Capeskin Gauntlet Gloves in pullon style. Shown in mode, grey and beaver. \$2.75 Pair

Capeskin Gloves in regulation wrist length style with one dome clasp. Shades are tan, beaver and grey. \$1.95 Pair —Main Floor

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A Practical Suggestion. These bright and colorful Smocks make attractive Christmas presents, and the little girl will find them very useful. They are gathered on a yoke back and front and fastened with pearl buttons. Crested ones in sizes 10 to 14 years, each, \$2.25. Smocks in plain shades of green and blue and sizes 8 to 14 years. Each, \$1.75. —Children's Wear, First Floor

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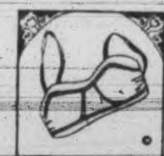
Crepe de Chine Nightgowns in elaborately lace-trimmed effects and a range of dainty pastel shades. \$10.00 to \$16.50

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Pyjama Sets for Christmas Giving

Very modernistic are these rayon silk pyjamas in shades of tangerine, camille and black. \$6.95 a Pair

Kimono of fine rayon silk, to match the pyjamas. \$7.95 Each. —Whitewear, First Floor



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Designed for evening wear, this White Crepe Satin Brassiere is made with a narrow strap across the back and in up-lift style; trimmed with narrow white lace edging and French flowers and shown all ready in dainty gift boxes. \$1.75 Each. —Whitewear, First Floor

Boys' English Wool Suits

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Boys' English Woolen Suits in mixed colors; two-piece styles consisting of jersey, with a turndown collar and buttoned in front, and pants. Shown in mixed shades of green, blue and fawn. Sizes 2 to 6 years. Each, \$2.49. —Children's Wear, First Floor

1000 Pair of Women's Pure Thread SILK HOSE

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These are shown in crepe de Chine and wool materials, stripes, checks and plain colors; almond, brown, blue, brick, green, red, navy and black. Prices from \$4.50 to \$8.90. —Mantles, First Floor



Girls' Bath Robes

For the girl of 10 to 14 no gift could be more acceptable than these delightfully warm Bath Robes of heavy quality Beacon cloth. Very attractive, too, in bright colors and new patterns. Each

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—Children's Wear, First Floor

Children's Raincoats

75c Each

Novelty Rubber Raincoats for children of 2 to 6 years; made with hood attached and fine pleating all around. In plum color only with silver pattern. Each 75c. —Children's Wear, First Floor

Gift Merchandise Scrip

Merchandise Scrip, sold at the Exchange Desk or at Douglas Street door, Main Floor, is redeemable at any of our stores. —Main Floor



Gift Slippers for Women

Women's Plaid Slippers with turnover collars or plush binding. Quilted Satin Slippers; Kory Kornor Peltis and Fancy Leather Boudoir Slippers, in black and colors. All at a pair, 95c

Women's Camel Hair Collar Slippers in a variety of plaids and plain shades. Also Packard Boudoir Slippers. All at a pair, \$1.45

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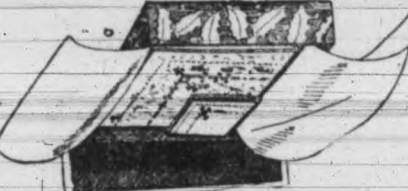
There is a fascinating variety in the styles of these new Handbags in pouch and envelope shapes. Shown in fine Morocco calf, Russian goat and other fancy grain leathers. All beautifully lined and fitted with change purse and mirror. \$5.95 to \$10.50

Also a special line of Leather Handbags in assorted styles and colors. Each \$2.98. —Main Floor



Children's Hosiery

Boys' All-wool Golf Hose in medium ribbed styles with attractive turnover tops in contrasting shades. Shown in a good range of heather mixtures and marls. A pair, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Children's All-wool Golf Hose in new fancy weaves with neat turnover tops in contrasting shades or two-tone effects. A pair, 98c. Children's All-wool Golf Hose in ribbed cashmere or heavier worsted effects. Plain colors or heather mixtures with neat turnover tops. A pair, 79c. Children's Fine Half Socks in dainty shades of sky, pink, maize, nure, champagne, silver and white. Ideal for the Christmas party. They are useful and attractive gifts. A pair, 49c. —Lower Main Floor



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Gifts For the Home

Pure Oyster Linen Tea and Bridge Sets, attractively embroidered; 36-inch cloth with four napkins. The set, \$3.25, \$5.50, \$6.75 and \$7.75. Tea and Bridge Sets in white oyster linen, with scalloped edges and colored applique designs. Each \$8.75 and \$10.50. Pure Linen Luncheon Sets consisting of a runner, 18x45 inches; 6 napkins and 6 plate doilies. A set, \$9.75 and \$12.50. Embroidered Oyster Linen Runners, Each \$4.75

Linen Runners with colored cross-stitching. Size 18x36 inches; each, \$3.75. Size 18x44 inches; each, \$4.25. Size 18x54 inches; each, \$4.95. Irish Embroidered Pillow Cases with scalloped edges. Per pair, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00. Pure Linen Embroidered Pillow Cases with hemstitched and scalloped edges. Per pair, \$4.50. —Staples, Main Floor

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Men's Gift Ties

Ties in all the newest shades, shapes and patterns. Each in a presentation box. 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00. —Men's Furnishings, Main Floor



Men's Gift Shirts

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Men's Gift Pyjamas

Broadcloth Pyjamas in fancy colored designs. A suit, \$3.25. Genuine Livisea Silk Pyjamas with colored checks. A suit, \$7.50. Broadcloth Pyjamas in plain shades with contrasting shawl collar and silk loops. Each, \$5.50. —Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Boys' Sweaters

Wool and Cotton Jerseys with polo collar; navy, grey, brown and fawn. Sizes 22 to 32, at each, \$1.00. Wool Jerseys with polo collar, popular shades, with collars and cuffs in contrast. Sizes 22 to 33, \$1.95. Pullover Sweaters in a range of patterns, "V" neck and shawl collar. Sizes 24 to 40, \$2.95. Boys' Wool Lumberjacks with shawl collar; sizes 26 to 36, \$5.00. —Boys' Store, Government Street

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Men's Gift Slippers

Brown Kid Slippers with fleece lining and flexible soles; also in black and in brown. \$2.50

Fine Quality Romeo Elastic Side Slippers with hand-turned soles and cushion inner soles. Black or brown. A pair, \$4.00

Men's Camel Hair Slippers with soles of thick felt and leather outer soles; plain or plaid designs. A pair, \$1.95

Men's Turn-sole Fine Kid Slippers, opera and Everette styles. Brown or black. A pair, \$3.50

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Santa Claus is giving special attention this year to the thirty-six little inmates of the Children's Aid Home, on Pandora Avenue, thanks to the generosity of certain friends who have interceded with the genial old saint on their behalf. In order that as many friends of the institution as possible may be present when he arrives, the Christmas tree and party will not take place until 6 o'clock on the afternoon of December 26, when the children will receive their gifts and present a little programme.

CHILDREN'S GIFT
A delightful exemplification of the real spirit of Christmas was shown by a group of children who call themselves "The Helpful Five," as the following letter will show:

The Children's Aid Society,
Pandora Avenue.
Dear Children:—We have raised the sum of \$31 by giving a bazaar and tea and we wish to give it to you as a Christmas present. We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, yours truly,
"The Helpful Five,"
Rhoda Walton,
Barbara Leigh,
Evelyn Prisk,
Dorothy Miller,
Patricia Clark."

MANY DONATIONS
A total of \$178 in cash was raised through the efforts of Frank M. Steery, who collected the following donations from kindly friends: R. M. Angus, \$1; B.C. Bond Corporation Limited, \$5; P. R. Brown & Son, \$2.50; The Colonist, \$5; F. N. Cabell, 50 cents; Canadian Bank of Commerce, \$5; R. S. Day & Son, \$5; R. Hayward, \$1; Dr. Harper, 25 cents; E. Housley, \$1; G. C. Howell, \$2; R. H. B. Kerr, \$5; J. R. Kingham & Company, \$2; Miller, Court & Company Limited, \$10; H. M. McGivern, \$10; Hon. W. C. Nichol, \$50; Dr. N. E. Pearce, \$1; Swinerton & Musgrave, \$5; G. H. Stetson, \$2; E. V. Thomas, \$1; Times Printing & Publishing Company, \$5; J. H. Todd & Sons, \$10; R. A. Wootton, \$1; N. W. Whittaker, \$1; P. J. Williams, 50 cents; Friend, 50 cents; Friend, 25 cents; Friend, 50 cents; Friend, \$1; Queen's City Chapter, O.E.S., \$25; Mrs. R. P. Butcher, \$15.

Gifts in kind include a large quantity of toys from the Junior Red Cross; new clothing from the Bishop Chapter, L.O.D.E.; Mrs. A. E. Todd, linen; Mrs. Clark, O.E.S., milk; Mrs. Redington, Club, cake; Mrs. Bell, fruit; Mrs. G. Jay, fruit; Mrs. Murray, fruit; A-Friend, clothes; Metropolitan Church, ice cream and cake; Mr. Lang, Rockland, apples; Mrs. Nelson, Vancouver, apples and clothes; St. Margaret's School, cake; Victoria Chapter, O.E.S., cheese; Daughters of the Covenant, cheese; Miss Engle, cheese; Ladies of the Royal Purple, cheese; Mrs. A. T. Goward, cheese; Terry's candy; Owl Drug Company, candy; Hudson's Bay Company, scrip, \$5; Vancouver Drug Company, candy; Mrs. Fleming, Gordon Road, jam; Kirkham's, buns; Mann's Bakery, cakes.

Moose Kiddies At Tree Party

Under the auspices of Victoria Lodge 1390 Loyal Order of Moose, the annual Christmas tree and social was held at the City Temple Hall on Thursday evening.

About 200 kiddies were present together with many of their parents. Mrs. Allan, with dancing, Mrs. Pat and Mickie Belton and Miss Belton with recitations, and Brother Belton with his cinematograph, kept the crowd amused until the arrival of Santa Claus himself.

The presence of the old gentleman caused great excitement, and after a little talk he proceeded to distribute presents to the kiddies, which duty he performed in a very pleasing manner.

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TREATMENT

Personal Items

Miss J. Duncan of Herman's Limited will spend Christmas in Vancouver.

Mrs. W. Nicol and Miss N. J. Nicol of Brandon, Man., are registered at the Empress Hotel to-day.

Miss H. Fordham-Johnson and Miss Margaret Stewart of Vancouver, arrived in the city to-day and are staying at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. F. L. Baker of Vancouver, and Mrs. Dwight C. Paul of Boston, Mass., are guests at the Empress Hotel to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Martin arrived in the city from Vancouver this morning and are registered at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. Harry Stoddart of Vancouver is among the visitors from the Mainland spending the Christmas season in Victoria.

Mr. Jack Templeton will arrive in Victoria on Monday from Eastern Canada to spend Christmas here with his family, London Avenue.

Mr. Donald McIntosh has gone over to Vancouver to spend the Christmas holidays as the guest of Mr. Wallace Turnbull.

Miss Beatrice Joyce will come over from Vancouver to spend the Christmas holidays as the guest of her parents, Capt. and Mrs. R. D. Joyce.

Dr. and Mrs. A. E. McKicking, Linden Avenue, will have as their guests over the Christmas and New Year's season Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Gard of Seattle.

Mr. Barney Devitt of Westholme, who has been a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital for some time, is returning home to-day.

Miss Carol Jones-Evans, who is attending St. Ann's Convent, has left for Kelowna to spend her Christmas holidays with her father, Captain Jones-Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Templeman and small daughter, Maureen, will arrive in town to-day to spend the Christmas holidays as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ord, 919 Pembroke Street.

Miss Vida Shandley, who is attending the University of British Columbia, is spending the Christmas vacation in Victoria with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Shandley, Fairfield Road.

Miss Peggy Jackson of Portland, Ore., arrived in Victoria this morning to spend Christmas here with her father, Mr. F. A. Jackson, Mount Edward Apartments, Vancouver Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Beck and Master Dick Beck of Vancouver will spend Christmas in Victoria as the guests of Mrs. Beck's mother, Lady McBride, Quadra Street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Alexander will leave on the S.S. Emma Horton tomorrow morning for San Francisco, to spend a month's holiday as the guests of Mrs. Alexander's parents.

Mr. Evans Wason of Vancouver will arrive in the city to-morrow to spend the Christmas holidays as the guest of his uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Lennox, Rockland Avenue.

A pleasant surprise party was held Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. White, 151-Bushy Street, in honor of the birthday of Mr. Frank White Jr. Games and dancing were enjoyed during the evening. The self-invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dwyer and Master Dwyer, Mr. and Mrs. A. Wake-man, Mr. and Mrs. H. Murphy and Miss Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Scott, Mr. and Mrs. H. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Deach, Mr. and Mrs. F. Chaitell, Miss M. Christopher, Miss J. Steen, Miss Emily White, Miss Alisa Spratt, Mr. R. Mawhood, Mr. H. White and Mr. Q. Wakeman.

PIONEER WOMAN OF COAST DEAD

Mrs. Emma Horton of
Olympia Came to Coast
in 1853

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 22—After living in the same house for seventy-two years, removing from it only six months ago when it was torn down to make way for a service station, Mrs. Emma Horton, ninety-five, died yesterday. Born in Belmont County, February 4, 1834, Mrs. Horton, then Emma Hartsook, went with her parents in her early girlhood to Iowa. A wagon train left that state in 1853 for Oregon, and the Hartsooks were among the immigrants. Many were killed during the journey to the coast, set upon by bands of marauding Indians. A year later, in 1855, she married William H. Horton in Portland, Ore. Two years later they came to Olympia and built their home. Her husband operated the steamer Traveler between here and Victoria, B.C. In the 60's he built the Olympia water system. He died forty-one years ago.

Installation of Officers—Britannia Lodge L.O.B.A. No. 216 held their regular meeting in Eagles' Hall, worthy Mistress Mrs. Kelmman, presiding. Visitors from Purple Star, worthy mistress, Mrs. Kelmman; deputy mistress, Mrs. Nichols; chaplain, Mrs. Miller; secretary, Mrs. Munkley; financial secretary, Mrs. Buge; treasurer, Mrs. Norton; lecturers, Mrs. Cuthbert and Mrs. Reed; director of ceremonies, Mrs. Bradley; inner guard, Mrs. Christie; outer guard, Mrs. Groves; committee, first, Mrs. Wilson; second, Mrs. Cave; third, Mrs. Fraser; fourth, Mrs. Robinson; fifth, Mrs. Christenson; auditors, Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Bradley; installing officers, Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Joyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Gropp, with their small son, arrived in the city Thursday from Spokane to spend Christmas and are staying with Mrs. Gropp's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McLean, Howe Street.

Mrs. Clarence Arthur of Vancouver is in Victoria to attend the funeral of her cousin, the late Duncan Alexander McKinnon, who passed away Tuesday morning. While in Victoria Mrs. Arthur is staying with her mother, Mrs. B. Gilchrist, of King's Road.

Mrs. Henry Howard, Foul Bay Road, accompanied by Miss Lorna Howard and Mr. Pat Howard, will leave tomorrow for Port Angeles to spend Christmas there with her mother and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morse.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Taylor, Oscar Street, will have as their guests over the week-end, Mr. and Mrs. George Dearing of Vancouver, who will come over from the Mainland to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lane and small son have left for the mainland to spend the Christmas holidays. They will be accompanied by their sister, friends in Vancouver and New Westminster.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Galbraith entertained about sixty guests at their home on Rithet Street last night in celebration of the thirtieth anniversary of their wedding which took place in Victoria. By a curious coincidence their daughter, Miss Myra Jean Galbraith is teaching in the school in which her parents both taught before their marriage. The North Ward School, and has charge of the same class which her mother taught.

A musical programme included songs by Miss Myra Jean Galbraith, Miss Betty Galbraith, Miss Nellie Sims, Miss Winaby, with Miss Galbraith at the piano. The hostess was assisted in serving refreshments by her sister, Mrs. Geoffrey Smith of Stewart, B.C., and the Misses Presslie Gilliland, Jean Winaby, Ruth Freeman and Myra Jean Galbraith.

Miss Dorothy Elliott entertained at a tea at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Elliott, Summit Avenue, yesterday afternoon. Miss Betty Galbraith, Miss Nellie Sims, Miss Winaby, with Miss Galbraith at the piano. The hostess was assisted in serving refreshments by her sister, Mrs. Geoffrey Smith of Stewart, B.C., and the Misses Presslie Gilliland, Jean Winaby, Ruth Freeman and Myra Jean Galbraith.

BIG RECEPTION AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE FRIDAY

Over Nine Hundred Guests Invited to Yesterday's Yuletide "At Home"

Over nine hundred invitations were issued for the annual Yuletide "at home" held at Government House yesterday afternoon by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Miss MacKenzie, many guests from the mainland as well as all parts of Vancouver Island attending the affair, which has come to be one of the most enjoyable features of the city's Christmas festivities.

YULETIDE DECORATIONS

A seasonable note of welcome was imparted in the spacious hall by the cheery log fire and the banks of scarlet poinsettias, with fir and holly wreaths over the electrically lit chrysanthemums, single chrysanthemums were used in the drawing-room, where His Honor received with Miss MacKenzie, who was smartly dressed in black georgette over fresh pink Major P. Hennessey, Capt. Hobart Molson and Lieut. J. W. Roy, R.C.N., and Mr. A. M. D. Fairbairn being in attendance.

BEAUTIFULLY ARRANGED

The ballroom was beautifully arranged with huge shaggy chrysanthemums in shades of bronze and palms, while over each electrically lit a seasonable note. After the more formal part of the reception, the many guests proceeded to the dining-room, where tea was served from buffets centred with miniature, illuminated Christmas trees. The deep oak paneling of the room was hidden beneath holly and ivy, interspersed with scarlet poinsettias, symbolic of the Yuletide season.

MANY GUESTS INVITED

Among the many invited guests were Hon. the Premier and Mrs. S. F. Tolmie, the Bishop of Columbia and Mrs. Schofield, the Hon. W. A. Atkinson, Minister of Agriculture, and Mrs. Atkinson; the Hon. W. McKenzie, Minister of Mines, and Mrs. McKenzie; Hon. J. H. and Mrs. Hinchcliffe, Hon. R. H. and Mrs. Pooley, Chief Justice J. A. Macdonald and Mrs. Macdonald, Major and Mrs. Thackeray, Mr. Justice P. B. Gregory and Mrs. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Winslow, Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Pearce and Miss Pearce, Mr. Justice M. A. Macdonald and Mrs. Macdonald, Mr. A. Gillespie, Miss Daphne Gillespie, Mr. John Hossie, Miss Hossie, Rev. B. S. and Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Thompson, Mr. Wilfred Reid, Mrs. Horace Hamlet, Miss D. Hamlet, Colonel Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Russell, Mr. John Allyn, Major Douglas Macdonald, Miss C. Macdonald, Mrs. R. W. Gibson, the Misses Gibson, Mr. Sidney d'Este, Mrs. Smylie, Miss Smylie, Miss Vivian Watson, Mrs. William Lang, Miss Janet Lang, Mrs. Gourlay, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Pauline, Miss Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Williams, Miss Helen Landry, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fraser, Miss Sibyl Fraser, Mrs. M. S. Wheatley, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Robert Musgrave, Miss B. Musgrave, and the following members of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, of London, England: Mr. F. Hobbs, Mr. Harry Arnold, Mr. Henry Lytton, Miss Bertha Lewis, Miss Marjorie Eyre, Mr. Leslie Rands, Mr. Sidney Granville, Mr. Charles Leslie, Mr. Reginald Falkner, Mr. Flynn, Mr. Herbert Aitken, Mr. Penny Hughes, Miss Sibyl Gordon and Miss Dorothy Delbridge.

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There is but one thing that could possibly occupy this space to-day: the old, old password of Christian fellowship at this season: "A Very Merry Christmas!"

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Reception Party

No housewife should start Winter without an excellent hand-lotion at the kitchen sink. Every time one's hands come out of the water, they should be wiped carefully and some of the lotion applied. Cold water is hard enough on hands, even when they are cared for.

Recital To-night — The Victoria School of Expression will hold its Christmas recital in the Memorial Hall to-night at 8 o'clock. A reading of Dickens' "Christmas Carol" will be given. The school wishes to lay stress on the importance of clear speaking and good diction, and the recital will be spoken with inspiring and stimulating to the imagination, and therefore two scenes will be read without the aid of scenery or costumes. The second scene will be a reading of the Christmas story, two amusing sketches and two dances by pupils of Miss Violet Fowkes. The entertainment will conclude with a group of English carols, sung by the school choir.

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GEORGE G. RICE IS SENTENCED

New York, Dec. 22.—George Graham Rice who made millions of dollars by outsmarting the race track and stock market, could not outsmart the forces of law and order. Convicted of using the mails to defraud investors in Idaho copper stock whose value he had ballooned by the agency of his pseudo financial sheet, The Wall Street Journal, he was sentenced yesterday to four years in the Atlanta penitentiary and fined \$5,000.

W.B.A. Girls' Club.—The Girls' Club of the W.B.A. met at the home of Miss Florence Clough, 2664 Blanshard Street, on Thursday evening, December 20. A very enjoyable time was spent by the members. Mrs. Miller held the lucky ticket No. 8180, which won the beautiful doll. The next meeting of the W.B.A. Girls' Club will take place at the home of Miss Clough on January 8, 1929.

CHILDREN'S BALL PROMISES TO BE GAY SPECTACLE

Navy League Chapter I.O.D.E.
Offering Prizes For Cos-
tumes Dec. 28

The fourteenth annual children's fancy dress ball under the auspices of the Navy League Chapter I.O.D.E. which will be held at the Empress Hotel on December 28 promises to be even more popular than in former years. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Miss Mackenzie have given their patronage to this charming affair and on their arrival will be escorted by Miss Lillian Grant, Canada's youngest girl piper.

Preceding the grand march into supper, the pupils of Miss Violet Powles will dance a Christmas fairy ballet. The children will have possession of the ballroom until 9 o'clock when the grand march into supper takes place, for children to sixteen years only. Tables may be reserved in the dining-room for parties of six or more.

The dance will continue until 1 o'clock for the grown-ups. Prizes will be given for the best fancy costume, girl and boy, and the best comic girl and boy.

Tickets may be obtained from Spencer's Music Department, T. N. Hibben & Co., Government Street, the Owl Drug Store, Fort Street, and the Empress Hotel, Victoria, 7687.

Grandmother to Be Tried For Murder

Toronto, Dec. 22.—After more than six years in an insane asylum, Mrs. Annie Oldham, fifty-one, will be tried at the Winter assizes here on a charge of murdering her infant grandchild. The woman, recently judged sane, is alleged to have killed the child by dipping a nipple into strychnine.

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Your Baby and Mine

By MYRTLE MEYER ELDRED



Mrs. Eldred will be glad to answer all questions pertaining to babies and children. A stamped and self-addressed envelope forwarded to this office will bring a personal reply.

WHEN CAN BABY FEED HIMSELF AND DRINK FROM CUP?

Mrs. L. D. B. writes: "I have profited so much by your advice to others that I should like to ask a few questions. My son is eleven months old, has eight teeth, weighs twenty-six pounds, walks and says half a dozen words. When should he be able to drink from a cup alone? When should he feed himself? Does he need cod liver oil this winter? He doesn't like it. How can I disguise it? I am especially proud of the fact that he has never had the least bit of a cold."

He has been having undiluted milk for over a month. How much sugar should he have? I am so afraid of giving him too much. He loves to eat and has never refused any food offered him.

ANSWER
This splendid boy ought to be drinking from a cup right now and making an effort toward feeding himself. Use a small, light cup with a handle and show him how to grasp it with both hands and lift it to his mouth. It might be well at first to put only a little drink in the cup so that it will be easy to handle and he won't

spill it on himself. Just be patient, he'll learn the trick.

Let him use an ordinary long-handled spoon. This has been found by experiments with many children to be easiest for them to handle, and not the curved handle type. Show him how to grasp it close to the bowl and put his food in a plate with an edge. Then, by pushing his spoon toward the edge and trying not to overload it (this comes with practice), he will find that he can push up on to the spoon and then bring it to his mouth. Keep the ideal of small mouthfuls before him, but let him make his own mistakes.

If a child gets lots of air and sunshine, and perhaps sunbaths outdoors or before an open window this winter, he doesn't need cod liver oil the second year. If he is living in a very cold climate and gets very little sunshine, he should have it. Have you investigated the concentrated cod liver oil? One drop can be taken in almost any way.

Use one small teaspoon of sugar with his cereal or leave sugar out entirely. A child gets sweet puddings now and other sweets and plenty of bread, cereal and vegetables, so that he shouldn't lack for carbohydrate foods. Mrs. W. H. H.—Thank you for your nice letter. I agree perfectly that children must be trained early. We offer a leaflet on that and it contains the best method of training very similar to yours, so I am not repeating it here.

W.A. TO PROVIDE GLASS FOR BAY AT CATHEDRAL

Columbia Diocesan Board to
Raise Necessary Funds; An-
nual Meeting Jan. 23 to 26

A unanimous decision to raise a sum sufficient to cover the cost of the stained glass for the two windows in the Women's Auxiliary bay of the new Christ Church Cathedral was made by the Columbia W.A. Diocesan Board at its monthly meeting at St. Barnabas Parish Hall yesterday.

The gathering opened with special prayers for the recovery of His Majesty the King, and a Christmas Litany. A Scripture portion was read and a welcome given to the board by the president, Miss Cawley, who with her committee later entertained the members.

The corresponding secretary, Mrs. Heatherbell, was appointed to receive nominations for officers for the Social Council of Women, in response to a communication from that body.

MANY TALENTS

That all the parochial branches have contributed most generously with Christmas cheer and gifts, was reported by the Diocesan secretary, Mrs. Christie, who stated that well-filled hampers had been sent to the hospitals at Rock Bay and Alert Bay, gifts to the mission at Village Island, and bales to the industrial schools, also an ample provision of gifts for the Columbia, the Repetition, and to the Good Hope Mission in Victoria. Contributions of toys had been sent in by the St. Paul's and St. Matthew's Sunday schools as well as substantial cash contributions from the branches.

ANNUAL MEETING

The programme of the diocesan annual meeting, to be held on January 23 to 26, was discussed and approved. Mrs. E. P. Laycock was appointed convener of hospitality and she asked that offers of hospitality for delegates be sent in to her as early as possible. The Christ Church Cathedral Parish Guild will provide luncheon on two days of the annual meeting, there being only a morning session on Thursday and an evening meeting at which the Dean of Columbia will give an address.

The Bishop and Mrs. Schofield will be "at home" to delegates and members at Bishop's Close on the Thursday afternoon.

The junior secretary, Mrs. Chow, has prepared a very interesting programme on Saturday afternoon, January 25, for the junior annual meeting. An increase in the returns to date of the united thankoffering was reported by the diocesan secretary, Mrs. Brooks.

NEARLY \$5,000 RAISED

That the pledge has practically been fully met by extra contributions from the branches was reported by the diocesan treasurer, Mrs. Harley, who also stated that the \$5,000 objective for the new cathedral is nearly made up, all but \$280.

The Dominion treasurer, Mrs. Donaldson, in a letter mentioned the increased obligations of the Dominion Board, closed with the following impressive words: "We are endeavoring to lengthen our cords of missionary work, and can only do so with security if we can, at the same time, strengthen our stakes of interest, of faith and of personal responsibility."

The Dominion Board therefore asks for the loyal co-operation of every member, as for the full support of Columbia W.A. Diocesan Board, Rev. W. L. Smith read the noon hour prayers and spoke a few well-chosen and timely words on the Christmas message.

Auxiliary Elects Officers and Hears Annual Reports

The Sherwood Missionary Auxiliary held their annual meeting at the parish hall yesterday afternoon. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers and hear the annual reports of the various branches. The meeting was held in the parish hall, which was decorated for the occasion. The officers elected were: President, Mrs. J. Grant; Vice-president, Mrs. J. Grant; Recording secretary, Mrs. J. Grant; Corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Grant; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Grant; and Stewardship secretary, Mrs. J. Grant.

The results of the election of officers were: Honorary presidents, Mrs. Sheridan and Mrs. J. Grant; President, Mrs. J. Grant; Vice-president, Mrs. J. Grant; Recording secretary, Mrs. J. Grant; Corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Grant; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Grant; and Stewardship secretary, Mrs. J. Grant.

Rev. James Hood closed the meeting with prayer. Refreshments were served. Mrs. Knott, pointing tea and Miss M. Knott, Miss Johnston and Miss B. Levers assisted Mrs. Hood in serving.

St. Ann's Juniors Held Christmas Entertainment

The closing exercises of St. Ann's Kindergarten were held yesterday afternoon when a delighted audience assembled for the Christmas entertainment. A trio of little girls, Leveah Linskill, Irene Quagliotti and Verna de Macedo sang a little action song of welcome to Mother Superior, and the teaching staff from St. Ann's Academy and parents and friends.

The first followed by a class song to the old familiar, "Jingle Bells," and a violin solo by Teddy Spencer. A recitation was cleverly given by Herbert



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Hartnell, and a "bat drill," by the following little girls and boys: Ella Wood, Jean Thomas, Teddy Spencer, Victoria Bourke, Annie Kelly, Rita Nevard, Lavine Linskill, Michael Costanzo. A delightful tableau, entitled "Little Lord Jesus," was presented by eleven little girls who also recited Christmas poems and sang carols. A sprightly dance, "Christmas Bells," combining all the figures of the eight-hand reel, was given by Verna de Macedo, Irene Quagliotti, Audrey Fanthorpe, Marie Longpre, Ellen Hickey, Joyce Leavitt, Josephine Dobbie, Annie Keily, Master Bernard Costello was heard in a recitation.

An acoustic "Merry Christmas" was recited by Teddy Hood, Bernard Linskill, Jackie Evellie, Edith Hunter, Clarice Guilmann, Molly White, Hazel Hutchinson, Kathleen Roon, Betty Bradley, Mary Desmarais, Walter Cowden, John Alexander, Dickie Alexander and Betty Hutchinson. Two violin solos by little Teddy Spencer preceded a rousing chorus, "Jolly Old Santa Claus" during the singing of which Santa himself arrived laden with a huge bag of toys which were distributed to the excited children with much merry making by the jovial gentleman. Nobody was forgotten from Sister Superior to the smallest child, and additional presents were found in the large press and on the prettily decorated tree which adorned the stage. The National Anthem, a violin solo, brought the happy afternoon to a close.

Man Pleads Guilty In Narcotic Case

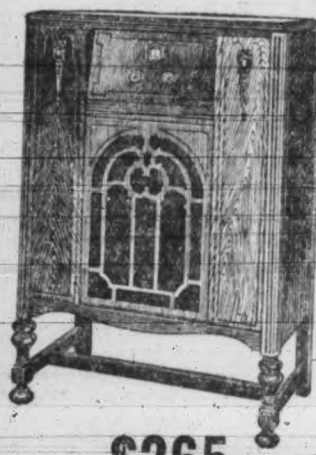
New York, Dec. 22.—Joseph Unger, reputed key man of the so-called "Archie" Rothstein narcotic syndicate, suddenly pleaded guilty yesterday at the beginning of the third day of his trial here, and was remanded for sentence on January 4.

If found guilty of the charges for which he was placed on trial Unger might have been sentenced to twenty-five years in prison. By his plea of guilty, however, he reduced the possible maximum to twelve years.

With Unger in a cell in the Tombs, speculation grew as to the possibility that Unger, who is more than fifty years old, might now "come clean" about Rothstein's connection with the syndicate in an effort to buy himself a minimum sentence.

The B.C. Provincial Rabbit Breeders Association show committee are working on the details of the Victoria Winter show to be held at the Willows, January 21, 22 and 23. The Victoria merchants have been unusually generous and there is a very large list of special prizes and cups.

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LEARNING TO GIVE GRACIOUSLY

One Mother says:

It is hard to think what would become of song writers if mother love and selfishness ceased to be a theme, but something should be done about it. So many children are spoiled by giving parents who want to do all the giving. I am teaching my children that they also may give. I never refuse any gift or pleasure they may suggest, although I do encourage them to remember birthdays and to plan gifts. Even though it may mean a real denial on their part to give me something for which they may save their money, I know that it pleased them and I always show great appreciation.

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TEMPLE CIRCUS CLOSES TO-DAY

"Grand Finale" Programme
at Armories This Afternoon

With a "grand finale" programme set for this afternoon and evening, the Victoria City Temple Circus and Fair at the Armories will draw to a close to-day.

Fancy ballet and solo dancing by the pupils of the Art Dancing School, under the direction of Mrs. L. H. Gaskill, and fancy dancing by pupils of the Hillside Dancing Academy are features of the afternoon programme. Ampico recitals by world-famous artists, including Mrs. Gertrude Huntly Green, will be given and outstanding among this evening's offerings will be a performance by pupils of the Russian Ballet School of Dance, under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Wilson.

Throughout the week large crowds have attended the Temple Circus. Yesterday several entertaining dance numbers by the pupils of the Violet Powles Studio of Dance delighted the patrons. The regular circus acts, such as Mark and Stella Smith, the contortionist, are particularly attractive.

The annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Auxiliary of the Fairfield United Church was held in the social room of the church on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Henderson, the president, in the chair. There was a record attendance and the meeting was a very happy one, as the ladies had raised considerably more than the allocation assigned them for the past year. The whole sum was sent to the treasurer of the General Society.

The following officers were elected to carry on for 1929: President, Miss Henderson; vice-president, Mrs. Bryce; recording secretary, Mrs. Field; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Green, and treasurer, Mrs. Bohlender.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the retiring officers, Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Bremner. The meeting closed with the benediction, after which a social half-hour was spent over the tea and dainty refreshments were served and enjoyed.

FABULOUS SUMS FOR JEWELRY

London Auction Sale in One
Day Realize \$950,000

London, Dec. 22.—Fabulous prices are being paid for jewelry at the Christmas sales being held in Christie's and Sotheby's famous salesrooms. A million and a quarter dollars was spent in one day on jewelry and art objects. Jewelry sold at Christie's on this day brought \$950,000. This easily set up a record, the best previous sale, held in the same rooms in 1920, having realized \$648,668.

The sensation of the record jewelry sale was a huge and historic emerald, formerly the property of a maharajah, which was sold by Lady Rachel Verney. This gorgeous gem, which was brought from the East by Lord Amherst, Governor-General of India from 1823 till 1828, realized \$225,500. The next best price, \$225,000, was paid for a single string necklace of seventy-nine magnificent pearls.

These sums are just under the record price given at Christie's for a single article of jewelry, which is \$230,000, obtained at the Red Cross sale ten years ago. Furniture, pictures and books also found a high market. The Old English and French furniture of the late Marquis of Lincolnshire, brought \$150,000 at Christie's, a pair of Chippendale mahogany writing desks realizing \$13,750, and a Louis XVI writing table \$9,245.

At Sotheby's, nearly \$100,000 was taken in for pictures and books. The closing exercises of St. Ann's Kindergarten were held yesterday afternoon when a delighted audience assembled for the Christmas entertainment. A trio of little girls, Leveah Linskill, Irene Quagliotti and Verna de Macedo sang a little action song of welcome to Mother Superior, and the teaching staff from St. Ann's Academy and parents and friends.

Patients Were Moved As Hospital Burned

Montreal, Dec. 22.—While flames were ravaging part of the third floor of the main building of the Verdun Protestant Hospital last night, more than 300 patients were calmed by nurses and attendants and moved without panic from the floors above to safety in other buildings. The fire is thought to have been caused by an overheated hardwood floor scraper and polisher used during the day in connection with renovation of the third floor.

N.H.L. Fans Start Claimor For More Goals

Defensive Tactics Proving Too Stout For Light Forwards

Sudden Outbursts by Maroons, Canadiens and Detroit This Week Drew Them Sixteen Goals, Nearly Half Total Goals Scored in Thirteen Games; Eleven Teams Fail to Score, While Two Games Were Scoreless Draws; Fredrickson, Now Worth \$12,000 More Than Mickey MacKay; New York Clubs Still Leading Both Divisions

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Duckeggs, predominated in the score column of the National Hockey League this week and had it not been for sudden outbursts by the Montreal Maroons, Canadiens and Detroit, who, between them scored sixteen goals, nearly half of the week's total, the guns of criticism would have been more forcibly directed at the defensive tactics employed in the league.

Thirteen games were played during the last week and eleven of the teams engaged failed to score, in two instances, there were scoreless draws, while in three others only one goal was scored.

The defensive tactics are becoming so severe that the fans in many cities have started to clamor for more goals. The light forward divisions are finding it difficult to break through the rugged, powerful defenses. Two forwards are expected, in most cases, to break through two defense men, assisted by a third forward at the pivot, and then beat the goalkeeper.

TERRIBLE RECORD
The Pittsburgh Pirates have appeared in thirteen games this season and have scored but seven goals, one of the worst records in the history of major league hockey. Benny Leonard, their owner, has found that he must go into the market and pay good money for players if he wants to get his team in the race.

After getting Joe Miller and a reported \$20,000 from the New York Americans for his goalie, Roy Worters, Leonard has parted with over half the amount and Mickey MacKay for Frank Fredrickson, centre of the Boston Bruins. Fredrickson has reported to the Pirates, and is to appear against the Toronto Maple Leafs tonight.

Fredrickson, who made his debut in professional hockey with the Victoria Cougars after a career as an amateur, first played with the Detroit Cougars in the National Hockey League but two seasons ago was traded to Boston for Duke Keats and Archie Briden.

A GOOD SCORER
Fredrickson has always been a good scorer. Several times he led the Western League, and he has been one of the top scorers in the National League goal-getters.

Fredrickson will undoubtedly be a great help to the Pirates as he will give his wing men more chance to score. Fredrickson's habit of trying to go clean through the middle of the defense, bringing the two defense men together to sandwich him, results in both wings being left wide open, and if he can get the puck out to them before he is dumped on his ear, there is a good chance of a goal.

INTERESTING TRADE
The conditions of the Fredrickson-MacKay trade are interesting. MacKay, who is a couple of years older than Fredrickson, was a sensation in the old Pacific Coast Hockey Association before the latter made his appearance with Victoria. MacKay was regarded as a better player by some when in the West, and it was often said that had he as many chances to score as those presented to Fredrickson he would have been far ahead in the scoring average. MacKay, usually the third defense man, did not rush as much as Fredrickson, who always coupled in the rush with the forward. MacKay never missed once he got an opening, while Fredrickson was not as sure when in front of the net.

At present Fredrickson is rated \$12,000 higher in the hockey world, as that is what Leonard had to throw in with MacKay to get the former. Fredrickson is a more fragile piece of hockey machinery than Fredrickson, but has some good hockey left in him.

N.Y. CLUBS LEAD
The New York clubs are still hanging on at the top of the two sections of the N.H.L.—Pittsburgh's Rangers in the class of the American section. They have outdistanced the rest of the clubs, despite the fact that some of their stars are suffering injuries. They won two games this week with Bill Cook, right wing, starring.

The Americans won two games, but their winning streak was halted by Pittsburgh, two wins and a draw for the Montreal Maroons enabled them to pull up into a tie with the Americans for the lead in the Canadian section.

The standing of the Ottawa Senators and Canadiens in the Canadian section is causing much comment. Neither team is playing to last year's form. They are tied for third place, five points behind the leaders.

CANADIENS UNSETTLED
The Canadiens, without Herb Gardiner, defence star, their ballast for the last two seasons, are up one night and down the other, without showing any signs of settling down. On Tuesday night they defeated the Chicago Black Hawks by 5-0, and two nights later were massacred for a 5-1 defeat at the hands of the Detroit Cougars.

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Christmas Sportorials From East to West —By Jimmy Thompson



Well, boys, Christmas is at hand and the air will soon be full of that merry spirit of give and take. Few are the fans who can't single out one or two players or referees on whom they would unthinkingly bestow a slice of their generosity. This form of generosity is confined to Christmas week, the present writer having observed it in varying degrees the year round. However, a few lucky ones in the sporting world have already received their Christmas box. Hamilton Tigers got theirs, and if ever a team deserved the Dominion senior rugby title, it was they. Regina, unable to lift the senior grid championship from Hamilton, bagged the junior title, thus upholding the prowess of Western Canada in fitting fashion.

Connie Smythe got a rare gift when Winnipeg sent Andy Blair to the Leafs. Since coming East to join the big league, Blair has more than made the grade and is proving as popular in the Queen City as he ever did with the home town fans.

Incidentally there still seems to be some mix-up over the pro rules; it is evident at the games that spectators find difficulty in understanding some of them. Perhaps Cooper Smeaton, of Montreal, will oblige the fans with some Christmas literature on the subject.

ABERDEEN BOY LOOKS GOOD IN HIS WORKOUT

Critics Pick Boyd as Winner in His Bout To-night With Miller

Dave Lewis to Meet Chris Langdon; Other Bouts on Programme

If Joe Boyd's showing in the ring to-night against Dusty Miller is anything like his workout last night at the Tillium gymnasium, Miller is going to have a tough assignment on his hands.

In the opinion of a number of critics who witnessed Boyd training last night he is the finest specimen of a light heavyweight boxer that has ever appeared in this city. In build and facial appearance he resembles Jack Dempsey.

"Spark Plug" as he is known, has it over Miller in speed, reach and height which, together with a big advantage in age, should more than offset the greater experience and ring tactics of the veteran, and they therefore pick Boyd to win the verdict over the colored fighter.

The bout between Danny Pastore and Tony Guiding, of Port Angeles, was cancelled on account of the latter getting badly hurt in a bout in his home town last night. To replace this fight, officials have arranged for Dave Lewis to meet Chris Langdon, in their last bout Langdon won on a foul.

GOOD SUPPORTING CARD
The balance of the card is creating lots of favorable comment from the fans as they are convinced that the various bouts will produce lots of action and the fans should have a good run for their investment.

The first bout is scheduled to commence at 9 o'clock sharp and the full programme and list of officials is as follows:

Four rounds, 126 pounds—Dave Lewis, Victoria vs. Chris Langdon, Victoria.

Four rounds, 165 pounds—Charlie Storen, Victoria vs. Bill Monahan, Vancouver.

Four rounds, 115 pounds—Jumbo Davies, Victoria vs. Chris McArde, Vancouver.

Two rounds, 170 pounds—Dusty Miller, Victoria vs. "Spark Plug" Joe Boyd, Aberdeen, Wash.

Officials—Referee, Tommy Burgess; judges, James McCall and Billy Hall; announcer, Joe North; physician, Dr. J. P. Vie; timekeeper, Harry Stanley.

Mixed Foursome At Colwood Club

A mixed foursome competition will be staged at the Colwood Golf Club tomorrow. Players will choose their own partners and opponents and set their own starting times. Post entries will be received. Half of the combined handicaps will be allowed contestants.

Two and draw one, giving them five points. They are just about out of the race now and the season has three months to go.

LOTS OF EXPERIMENTING
Major McLaughlin, wealthy owner of the club, has done a lot of experimenting with managers. The first season he had Pete Muldoon of Seattle, but Pete quit and he can tell a funny story about how he got along. Barney Stanley, formerly of the Edmonton Eskimos, tried his hand, but he did not last a season, and Ruggie Lehman, goalie, was elected to succeed Stanley. Lehman lasted a couple of months. This year Herb Gardiner was signed to handle the club, with the stipulation that he stay off the ice. The Canadians have just waived that right and Gardiner will get back into the game and try and pull the club together.

He is just the man to do it, but whether the twin duties of playing and managing the club will be too much for him remains to be seen.

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Red-headed Kelly Leads Cubs to Win Over Seattle Esk

Human Skating Machine Plays Over Fifty-Minutes of Game and Scores Two Goals When Victoria Defeats Pete Muldoon's Pets 5-2; Referee Ion Uses Iron Hand in Checking Rough Play; Oliver Redpath Gets First "Match Penalty" of Season for Cutting Down Harris; Seattle Uses Four-man Rushes in Attempt to Win

Seattle, Dec. 22.—The Seattle Eskimos are leaving for Vancouver and Victoria to-morrow night with the one idea of redeeming themselves. Severely handicapped by injuries and sickness, the Eskimos have dropped three games in a row, tumbling from a position as Vancouver's chief contender in the coast league standings.

Victoria climaxed the drop of the Eskimos last night by ringing up a 5-2 victory that was nearly as bad as it sounds in cold type, the Cubs scoring two of their goals in the last two minutes when the Eskimos were tossing every man on to the forward line in a vain endeavor to break through the Cubs' tight defence.

Captain Cec Browne, at least the second ablest man on the Eskimos' forward line, will leave with his mates for the north Sunday after having been in bed for several days. It was that epidemic of influenza which took Browne, Walker and Johansson out of the fray plus injuries received by Earl Overand and Vada Lindsay which kept them off the ice for several days, that caused the downfall of the Seattle team.

SEATTLE WILTS
The Eskimos played splendid hockey for thirty minutes here last night. Then they wilted. The dash was gone from their attack and except for two great rushes by the veteran Jack Walker, there was no punch in their attack at all. All this they hope to get back before Monday, however, and to start against their northern rivals with at least an even chance of a victory.

REDPATH OUT FOR GAME
Referee Ion took a stand against roughneck hockey here last night that made an instant hit with the local fans. Oliver Redpath, Victoria defence man, was given a "match penalty," the first on Seattle ice in many a day. Redpath missed more than 20 minutes of the game here, and must remain off the ice another game at home. Redpath cracked young Smokey Harris across the head with his stick, opening a bad gash, while the two of them were in a scramble for the puck.

Ion also handed out ten other minor penalties in his effort to put a stop to the crude stuff that has cropped up here the last two Fridays. Seattle fans don't like that sort of hockey any more than they like the rough play. Ion's move should put a stop to it.

KELLY POPULAR
The Cubs were again led to victory by the red-headed skating machine, Jack Kelly. He played more than 50 minutes of hockey, scored the first two goals and was up and down the ice and in the midst of the play all night. Kelly has won a lot of friends here, and rates with Captain Somers of the Vancouver club when it comes to local popularity. Kelly now leads the league scoring by four points over McGoldrick of Portland.

The Eskimos put over a goal at the start of the game, but Kelly soon evened matters and then, early in the second period, put the Cubs ahead. They were never headed. Herman Runge took a neat pass from Borland for the third and winning goal, then with the Eskimos rushing in with three and four-man rushes, both Osmundsen and Paul Runge managed to beat Kelly.

CANADIENS TO MEET OTTAWA
The lineup: Victoria—Robertson, Borland, Redpath, Kelly, H. Runge, Evans, Pascoe, Osmundsen, Kenny and P. Runge. Seattle—Yorkie, Johansson, Pridham, Harris, Walker, Lindsay, Sutherland, Kwanis, Lowe and Overand.

First period—1, Seattle, Pridham, 2:07; 2, Victoria, Kelly, 5:36; Penalties: Kelly, Overand.

Second period—3, Victoria, Kelly, 12:51; Penalties: Redpath, Borland, Pridham, Overand, Harris; match penalty, Redpath.

Third period—4, Victoria, H. Runge, from Borland, 2:30; 5, Seattle, Lindsay from Harris, 7:30; 6, Victoria, Osmundsen, 5:06; 7, Victoria, P. Runge from Kenny, 1:02; Penalties: Sutherland, H. Runge.

ONE GAME SUNDAY
Only one game is carded for Sunday when the Detroit Cougars, second place team in the American group, meet the Americans in New York. An American victory would give the star spangled team a clear hold on the top of the international group while Detroit could cut the Rangers' lead in the American section to three points.

HOCKEY PROGRESS
F.C.H.L. W. L. D. F. A. P.
Victoria 11 4 4 3 2 1 13 13
Vancouver 11 4 4 3 2 1 13 13
Seattle 11 4 4 3 2 1 13 13
Portland 11 4 4 3 2 1 13 13

N.H.L. Canadian Section W. L. D. F. A. P.
N.Y. Americans 14 8 4 2 1 17 13
Montreal 15 8 5 3 2 14 18
Ottawa 14 4 5 3 1 14 13
Canadiens 14 5 6 3 2 12 13
Toronto 11 6 5 0 2 14 24

American Section W. L. D. F. A. P.
N.Y. Rangers 14 8 3 3 2 15 19
Detroit 13 5 4 2 2 17 14
Boston 12 5 6 3 1 14 12
Pittsburgh 14 2 8 4 7 16 8
Chicago 12 2 9 1 11 25 8

McGILL BEATEN
Boston, Dec. 22.—A hard-fighting Harvard hockey sextette defeated McGill, 3-2, here last night in an overtime game on the Boston Garden rink.

Score is 4-1 in Rough Commercial League Hockey Game; First Fight Seen
Bapcos Win From Garrison; Fitz's and Rink Rats Play to 2-All Draw

Taking Plimley and Ritchie's measure by a 4-1 count, the Brilliant Tubes sent the league leaders down to defeat in a game which gave them the championship of the first half of the Commercial Hockey League last night. This victory puts the signalmen one point ahead of the cyclamen—in the second game of the evening, Fitz's and the Rink Rats battled to a two-all draw after ten minutes overtime, while the Bapcos defeated the Garrison by a 3-1 score in the final game of the evening.

The league standing is as follows:
Brilliant Tube W. L. D. Pts.
Plimley and Ritchie 4 1 0 8
Fitz's 2 1 7
Bapcos 3 2 6
Rink Rats 1 3 3
Garrison 0 5 0

Plimley and Ritchie's who until last night held the leadership of the league, went down to defeat in a ragged game, held by rough playing on both sides.

Ivan Temple opened the scoring for the tubemen in the first period when he netted a fast drive from just outside the blue line. In the second canto Bob Smith brought the score to 2-0, in favor of the Brilliant Tubes, when he sent the puck past Knott in the cyclamen's goal on an assist from Temple.

In the third period Stewart took the rebound from Woods' shot and sagged the net for the tubemen's third counter. The cyclamen tightened up from the face-off, and shortly after Frank Tyrrel scored their lone tally on a pass from Ross Oatman. Simpion of the Tubes closed the scoring five minutes later with a fast shot.

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CAPITALS WILL TOUR INTERIOR
Local Basketball Team Will Play Matches in Kelowna and Penticton

Victoria Capitals, leaders of the Senior "A" division of the City Basketball League, will leave on December 29 to tour the interior, playing in Kelowna and Penticton. The "Caps" will open their tour with a game in Kelowna on December 27, against the best team Kelowna can put on the floor. Victoria fans will remember the hard game the interior team gave Jordan River here in the High School gymnasium last year, and as this team is about the same again this season, there should be another close game.

The next night the "Caps" will take on Penticton, and this should be a tight game too. The Victorians know the strength of the interior players, so although they are keen on victory, they feel sure they are going to have a hard fight. Ralph Thomas, star centre with last year's Normal team, will be wearing Penticton uniform, and the Victoria centre will have plenty of trouble holding him down.

The Capitals will have Jack McKenzie and Waldo Skillings on the forward line, with Art Boyd jumping at centre. The guard line will find the ever reliable pair, Louis Patt and Norm Forbes, waiting for action. George Willoughby and Joe Ross will be the reserves. Johnny Johnson will look after the business end of the trip.

Beside Rickard other members are John McCall, Bowman and Herbert Bayard Swope, with William Muldoon, eighty-three-year-old member of the New York Athletic Commission as adviser.

The five approved of the model of the trophy, which now will be cast in bronze at a cost of \$5,000. The figure is that of an athlete in boxing pose, a big vase. On the boxer's hands are the cost, or spiked boxing gloves used by the ancient Greeks, about which the retired champion has discoursed on several occasions.

Griffiths Wins Comeback Fight
New York, Dec. 22.—Tuffy Griffiths, Sioux City, Ia., youngster, made some progress along the comeback road by defeating Charlie Belanger from Winnipeg, Man., in a ten-round bout at Madison Square Garden last night.

Manager of Sharkey And Tex Rickard In War of Invectives
Johnny Buckley Accuses Promoter of Attempting to Purchase Sharkey's Contract; Says Rickard Wants Sharkey to Fight Stribling in Florida in Order to Get the Boston Sailor "Knocked Off"; Rickard Denies Charges; Committee Named to Select Tunney's Successor Fails to Reach Decision

New York, Dec. 22.—While the selection committee named by Gene Tunney to designate the next heavyweight champion met in peace and amity yesterday, another war of invecitives broke out between Tex Rickard, master of Madison Square Garden, and Johnny Buckley, manager of Jack Sharkey, threatening to cause an abrupt severance of relations.

The shelling seemed stilled after Jimmy Johnson, for a time part manager of the Boston heavyweight, admitted that he had sent to local newspapers a telegram signed by Sharkey and accusing Rickard of managing Young Stribling, Paulino Uezudun and Jack Dempsey. The battle started, all over again, however, when Buckley telephoned newspapermen here a new set of charges yesterday.

Buckley said he refused Rickard's offer of \$75,000 for Sharkey's services in a bout with Young Stribling at Miami Beach, Fla., next February. He demanded \$150,000 and declared that he would talk to Rickard in the future only in the presence of newspapermen. He said he could prove that the promoter tried to buy Sharkey's contract for \$60,000 last summer and that he was in Rickard's office when Tex gave Walter Friedman the money to purchase a part interest in Knute Hansen. He said Rickard wanted Sharkey to fight Stribling in the southern community in order to get the Boston sailor "knocked off."

TEX DENIES CHARGES
Rickard denied all of Buckley's charges and declared that he was "through fooling with Sharkey." Buckley's fear of losing the decision to Stribling in Florida, he said, was admission that he feared Sharkey could out-whip the scuffling Georgian. Rickard said Paulino probably would be matched with Stribling in Sharkey's place.

The story of his desire to purchase Sharkey's contract was invented by Jimmy Johnson last summer for publicity purposes, he said.

The storm of charges broke about Rickard's head after the selection committee held its first meeting. The meeting, followed by a luncheon, was devoted to organization. The problem of choosing a successor to the retired Gene Tunney was discussed but little. Bernard Gimbel was chosen chairman of the committee of five with Jeremiah T. Mahoney, former state supreme court justice, as secretary.

NO TOURNAMENTS
Rickard said the committee did not feel that a new champion accepted first by the public and sports writers, could be named before the close of 1929. There will be no organized tournaments and the next titleholder will be chosen upon his record and willingness to fight anyone, he said. The committee approved the \$5,000 trophy offered by Tunney.

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SCORING RECORDS
F.C.H.L. Scores and Penalties
G. A. Pts. Pen. min.
Kelly (Victoria) 6 4 10 6
McGoldrick (Portland) 5 1 6 14
Conn (Portland) 4 2 5 10
Walker (Seattle) 3 2 5 10
Evans (Victoria) 3 2 5 0
Herman Runge (Victoria) 2 2 4 6
H. Runge (Victoria) 4 0 4 4
Sanderen (Vancouver) 4 0 4 4
Frost (Portland) 4 0 4 4
Lindsay (Seattle) 4 0 4 4
Dunne (Victoria) 3 1 4 8
Somers (Vancouver) 3 1 4 6
Phillips (Portland) 2 2 4 6
Borland (Victoria) 1 3 4 6
Low (Seattle) 2 1 3 0
Jerva (Seattle) 1 0 1 12
Harris (Seattle) 2 1 3 39
Johansson (Seattle) 1 2 3 5
Brennan (Vancouver) 2 0 2 6
P. Runge (Victoria) 3 0 2 6
Kwanis (Seattle) 2 0 2 4
Cummings (Vancouver) 2 0 2 10
Fridham (Seattle) 2 0 2 10
Real (Portland) 2 0 2 16
McAdams (Vancouver) 1 2 2 4
Fridham (Seattle) 1 2 2 4
B. Morrison (Portland) 0 1 1 12
Sutherland (Seattle) 1 0 1 1
O'Neil (Portland) 1 0 1 6
Osmundsen (Victoria) 1 0 1 6
Ozward (Seattle) 0 0 0 2
Kenny (Victoria) 0 0 0 2
Bond (Portland) 0 0 0 1

Country Holds Monopoly On Any Line of Sport

Every Nationality in World Has Developed Stars in Some Branch

English-speaking People Develop Modern Athletics But Rest of World Is Rapidly Catching Up; Japan Produced Her First Olympic Champion in the Recent Games; De Hart Hubbard Holds Highest Rank Among Negro Stars; Colored Race Has Produced Many Great Fighters; Duke Kahanamoku of Hawaii, Greatest of All-round Swimmers; Philipines Have Brought Out Great Little Fighters

By ROBERT EDGREN

There is no race or nationality that holds a monopoly of athletic skill, courage and ability. The English-speaking people developed modern athletic sports, but the rest of the world has followed and is rapidly catching up. Athletic sports are now taking the place of war as an outlet for the high spirit of competition. If Sir Laurenceau were present in this century he'd be running hurdle races, like a more modern titled English Olympic champion, instead of coveting about in armor hunting for ogres and giants and rival knights.

Japan developed her first Olympic champion in the recent games, Mikio Oda winning the running hop, step and jump. Most of the Japanese are of small stature, but this doesn't prove a bar in certain forms of athletic sports. There have been some very clever Japanese tennis players, De Hart Hubbard holds a Far East Olympic meet and always puts in a strong team. The Philippine Islands usually score heavily in this event.

HUBBARD BEST NEGRO
Of the many famous negro athletes developed in the United States, De Hart Hubbard holds highest rank. Ned Gourdin, a colored student at Harvard, first broke the twenty-year-old record for the running broad jump made by Peter O'Connor of Ireland, being first to jump beyond the twenty-five-foot mark. Then Hubbard, student at Michigan University, leaped several inches farther. Hubbard also ran the hundred in 9.5 seconds, like Drew, the great colored sprinter of several years ago, equalling the world's record. It looked as if Hubbard would keep the broad jumping record to mark the athletic development of his race. There never has been an athlete better built for the event. But Bob Legendre cracked it, and then Hann, another white Olympic champion, came within an inch of twenty-five feet. Hubbard has run the hundred in 9.5 seconds, too.

NEGROES WONDERFULLY BUILT
The negro race is marvelously qualified, physically, for athletic sports. Some of the colored champions would have made magnificent models for the ancient Greek sculptors. They are long, armed, big chested, broad shouldered, small waisted, and have powerful thighs and light calves. Few have shown up in athletic sports, however, as the small number entered in the colleges, where sports reach their highest form. But there have been many great colored football players and some ball men of note, as well as track athletes.

The professional ring has given colored athletes a better chance of cause higher education isn't needed in the ring. There have been hundreds of fine negro boxers. Joe Gans, once lightweight champion, probably was the best lightweight in the past century. Joe combined intelligence, courage, aggressiveness and skill to an unusual degree. Among the best fighters were Sam Langford, Jack Johnson (world's heavyweight champion), and George Dixon (feather champion).

FITZ WAS GREATEST
Great as these were, the greatest fighter of the century, perhaps, but of color or color, was Bob Fitzsimmons, who, as a middleweight, won the world's middleweight, light-heavyweight and heavyweight championships. Fitz was the greatest of all boxers. Jeffries or Dempsey may have been the greatest heavyweights, but both were much bigger than Fitzsimmons. And it is not certain that either could have beaten Fitz when Fitz was thirty years of age and in his prime.

There have been many great swimmers in recent years, many record breakers. Johnny Weissmuller and Norbert Oose were the best, but neither doubt that either was a better all-around swimmer than Duke Kahanamoku of Hawaii, winner of Olympic championships in the 100, 200, 400, 800, 1,600, 3,200, 6,400, 12,800, 25,600, 51,200, 102,400, 204,800, 409,600, 819,200, 1,638,400, 3,276,800, 6,553,600, 13,107,200, 26,214,400, 52,428,800, 104,857,600, 209,715,200, 419,430,400, 838,860,800, 1,677,721,600, 3,355,443,200, 6,710,886,400, 13,421,772,800, 26,843,545,600, 53,687,091,200, 107,374,182,400, 214,748,364,800, 429,496,729,600, 858,993,459,200, 1,717,986,918,400, 3,435,973,836,800, 6,871,947,673,600, 13,743,895,347,200, 27,487,790,694,400, 54,975,581,388,800, 109,951,162,777,600, 219,902,325,555,200, 439,804,651,110,400, 879,609,302,220,800, 1,759,218,604,441,600, 3,518,437,208,883,200, 7,036,874,417,766,400, 14,073,748,835,532,800, 28,147,497,671,065,600, 56,294,995,342,131,200, 112,589,990,684,262,400, 225,179,981,368,524,800, 450,359,962,737,049,600, 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Victoria to Observe Medieval Yuletide

Christmas Spirit Revived By Staging Of Great Festival

"The Chester Mysteries," "Wardle's Christmas Party," Wassailing Carols, Procession of the Boar's Head, Dancing and Twelfth Night Revels Will Be Features of Old English Celebration Over Holiday Period

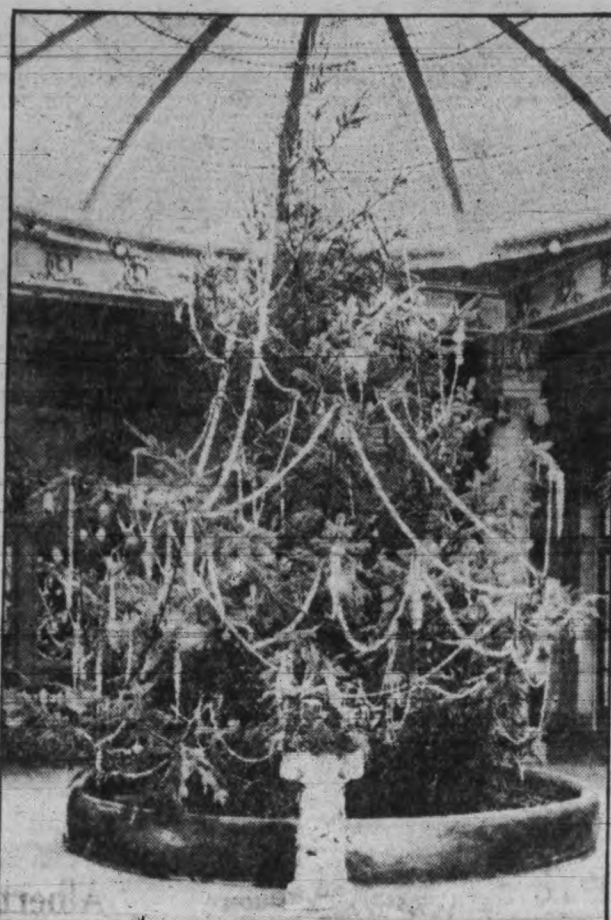
All the merry-making and early English customs which centuries ago marked the celebration of Christmas will be revived in the staging of the Yuletide Festival in Victoria.

"Come Robin, Ralph and little Harry
And merry Thomas to our green;
Where we shall meet with Bridget
And Sary
And the finest girls that e'er were seen.
Then hey! for Christmas once a year,
When we have cakes, with ale and beer,
For at Christmas every day
Young men and maidens may dance away."

The Yuletide Festival was conceived by the Canadian Pacific Railway with

Augustan, thirteen hundred years ago. There have been times in English history, however, when the festivities identified with Christmas were frowned upon, particularly during the Reformation and Cromwellian periods. Even in the nineteenth century the ancient festivities suffered neglect, and it was left to Charles Dickens, with his magic pen, to revive the Yuletide spirit so that it became one more of the most joyous seasons of the year. With that revival has come a new interest in the medieval forms of celebration, so that plays and cantatas of the Nativity performed in the naive spirit of the old mystery plays are much sought after.

This interest has crossed the Atlantic and the beautiful reconstruction of the Nativity group of the "Chester Mysteries," conceived by a Canadian,



The giant Christmas Tree in the Palm Room of the Empress Hotel, which will be the center of many of the incidents connected with the Yuletide Festival.

den, a Monk, of Chester Abbey. After three petitions had been presented, the Pope, in 1328, permitted the performance of this religious play in the English language by the trade guilds of Chester, and the Bishop of Chester granted forty days of pardon to every person resorting in peaceable manner with good devotion to hear and see the said plays. The twenty-four scenes of the original play were performed in the open, on floats, at the Abbey Gates and in the streets of this old English city. Musical interludes were at times provided by the singing of carols between the scenes. Roy Mitchell's reconstruction of three of these scenes is not a literal restoration, but

Head, with the traditional song as sung at Queen's College in Oxford:

The boar's head in hand bear I
Decked with holly and rosemary
Quot. estis in convivio.

WONDERFUL VIANDS

The head chef at the Empress Hotel is a pastmaster in the preparation of Christmas viands, using recipes that have come down through the ages and still are good. The chef's department has promised to outdo itself on this occasion of the greatest Christmas festival that Victoria has ever known. But in the preparation of the delectable Yuletide dishes for the moderns, there is a notable difference.

viola, Jennie Wilkinson; cello, Harold Taylor, and bass, Henry Ball.

ELABORATE PROGRAMME

The Yuletide programme will be as follows:

To-day—At Crystal Garden Theatre, at 8:30 p.m. "The Chester Mysteries," a Nativity play, written in 1328 by Randall Higden, a monk of Chester Abbey. Music by Healey Willan, Mus. Doc.

Sunday, December 23—In Ballroom of Empress Hotel, at 9 p.m.—Special concert of sacred music by the Elizabethan quartette and the concert orchestra.

Monday, December 24—In Crystal Garden Theatre, at 8:30 p.m. Special children's matinee of "The Chester Mysteries."

Christmas Eve—In Crystal Garden Theatre, at 8:30 p.m. "The Chester Mysteries." On the steps of Parliament Buildings at 10:30 p.m. Community carol singing.

Tuesday, December 25—Christmas family dinner in Empress Hotel at 7:30 p.m.—During dinner, the procession of the Boar's Head will be observed with full medieval ceremony, and the singing of the Boar's Head carol as sung at Oxford for centuries. The Elizabethan quartette will sing carols during dinner at various places in the hotel.

Wednesday, December 26—In Crystal Garden Theatre at 8:30 p.m. "Wardle's Christmas Party," a play adapted from Dickens' immortal "Pickwick Papers."

Thursday, December 27—In Crystal Garden Theatre at 8:30 p.m. "The Chester Mysteries."

Friday, December 28—In Crystal Garden Theatre at 9 p.m. A concert of carols and Christmas music from the fourteenth century to the present day, by the Elizabethan quartette, Mary Frances James, soprano; Josephine Wood, contralto; Herbert Hewett, tenor; Harold Eustace Key, bass.

Saturday, December 29—Supper dance at Empress Hotel, 9 p.m.

Sunday, December 30—In Ballroom of Empress Hotel at 9 p.m. Special concert of sacred music by the Elizabethan quartette and the concert orchestra.

Monday, December 31—Dance and supper and New Year Welcome. Wassailing carols and Hogmanay carols.

Tuesday, January 1—Dinner dance at Empress Hotel, 6:45 to 8:45 p.m.

Wednesday, January 2—At Crystal Garden Theatre at 8:30 p.m. "The Chester Mysteries."

Thursday, January 3—At Crystal Garden Theatre at 8:30 p.m. "Wardle's Party."

Friday, January 4—At Empress Hotel at 9 p.m. Fairy Tale fancy dress ball.

Saturday, January 5—At Empress Hotel at 9 p.m. Supper, dance and Twelfth Night revels.

The festival programme is under the personal direction of Harold Eustace Key, of Montreal, musical director for the Canadian Pacific Railway. Associated with Mr. Key in arranging details of the festival is J. Harry Smith, of the Canadian Pacific Railway Publicity Department.



Guests attending "Wardle's Christmas Party" at Dingley Dell farm scene from the play of that name, presented during the Yuletide Festival. Left to right: the Misses Josephine and May Murray, Mrs. T. E. Edmond Corby, Miss Clare Vincent and Miss Ethel Bale.



The Three Kings: Capt. Hugh Allen, Herbert Hewett and Arthur Long.

JUBILEE HOSPITAL WORK TOTALS GROW

But Average Daily Collections Show Decrease Over Five Years

Comparative figures on the Jubilee Hospital between 1923, before the new wing was built, and 1928, were presented by Chairman George McGregor at the hospital board meeting last night.

The first eleven months of this year show the days treatment, monthly average, running at 6,844, compared with 4,182 in the same eleven months of 1923. Chairman McGregor's report showed. From 1923 to 1928 average monthly collections have increased from \$6,501.22 to \$13,339.35. Daily average collections per patient have dropped from \$2.03 to \$1.98. This decrease in collections is due to the decrease in the contract work under-

taken by the hospital, chiefly the S.C.R. patients, it was explained.

During November 333 patients were admitted to the hospital, 333 discharged, 17 births, 17 deaths, 6,377 total number of days treatment, and 212 as the average number of patients per day in hospital.

The directors lauded the work of Mrs. Rhodes, the women's auxiliary, the junior women's auxiliary and Radio Manager George Deacon for their work in bringing about the victory in the recent vote on the Hospital By-law.

Sooke

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Helgesen recently when the Sooke Badminton Club paid a surprise visit. The occasion being Mr. Helgesen's birthday. The time was spent in card games, including court whist. Miss McGibbon took the ladies' first prize, Miss Minns of Metehosin carrying off the ladies' consolation prize. T. Wright won first gentlemen's prize, W. Baker winning the consolation prize. This was followed by old-time dancing. T. Wright, on behalf of the club, presented Mr. Helgesen with a very handsome smoking set.

There will be a clay pigeon shoot on Sunday, December 23, at Jackson's Spit. The shoot will be put on by the Canadian Legion.

Boy Swallowed Pin, But is Recovering

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 22.—First Sheppard, right of Hamilton, is recovering from an operation at Philadelphia, a "Christmas box" from the Hamilton Hospital Board. A pin swallowed by the youngster lay in an operation by a Philadelphia surgeon. The boy's parents were unable to send him and now there is an appropriation charged up as a "Christmas box" by the board. Fred is reported out of danger.



HERBERT HEWETT as the Second King in the "Chester Mysteries."

a view to establishing Victoria as a Christmas celebration centre.

There is no better place on the Pacific Coast for festivities of this nature, and the expectation is that the Yuletide Festival, if carefully developed, will each year attract large numbers of people to the Northwest to spend the Christmas holidays here. The Festival is planned as an annual event and its continuance will depend largely upon the support given by the citizens of Victoria.

REVIVED BY DICKENS

The "Twelve Days of Christmas" have been observed in Great Britain more tenaciously than in any other European country since the days of St.

Roy Mitchell, and enriched with incidental music by Dr. Healey Willan, of the Toronto Conservatory of Music, crowded the Hart House at Toronto during each of the four Christmas seasons in which it was produced.

In Victoria this season it will be produced by Major L. Bullock-Webster, with stage settings by Charles W. Simpson.

"THE CHESTER MYSTERIES"

During the Yuletide Festival here "The Chester Mysteries" will be presented at the Crystal Garden Theatre. The year 1923 is the six hundredth anniversary of the composition of "The Chester Mysteries," by Randall Hig-

den, a Monk, of Chester Abbey. After three petitions had been presented, the Pope, in 1328, permitted the performance of this religious play in the English language by the trade guilds of Chester, and the Bishop of Chester granted forty days of pardon to every person resorting in peaceable manner with good devotion to hear and see the said plays. The twenty-four scenes of the original play were performed in the open, on floats, at the Abbey Gates and in the streets of this old English city. Musical interludes were at times provided by the singing of carols between the scenes. Roy Mitchell's reconstruction of three of these scenes is not a literal restoration, but

an adaptation to modern stage conditions and to the psychology of a modern audience, while Dr. Healey Willan's music is an integral part of the performance.

THE BOAR'S HEAD

Christmas cheer is, of course, essential to any true Yuletide festivity and the old English introduction to such cheer is the bringing in of the Boar's

Head, with the traditional song as sung at Queen's College in Oxford: The boar's head in hand bear I Decked with holly and rosemary Quot. estis in convivio.

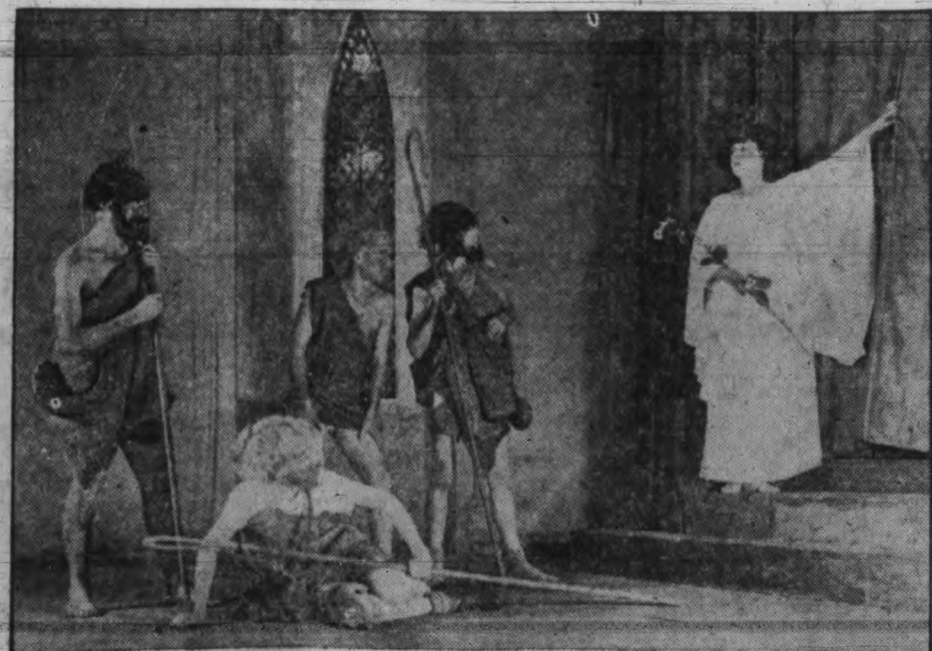
HAZING YULE LOGS

Adding to the gaiety of the festivities will be the blazing Yule logs in the great open fireplaces of the Empress Hotel, following the ancient custom. Holly and evergreens flourish in Victoria so that it would appear that this city is the natural nesting-place for the spirit of Christmas.

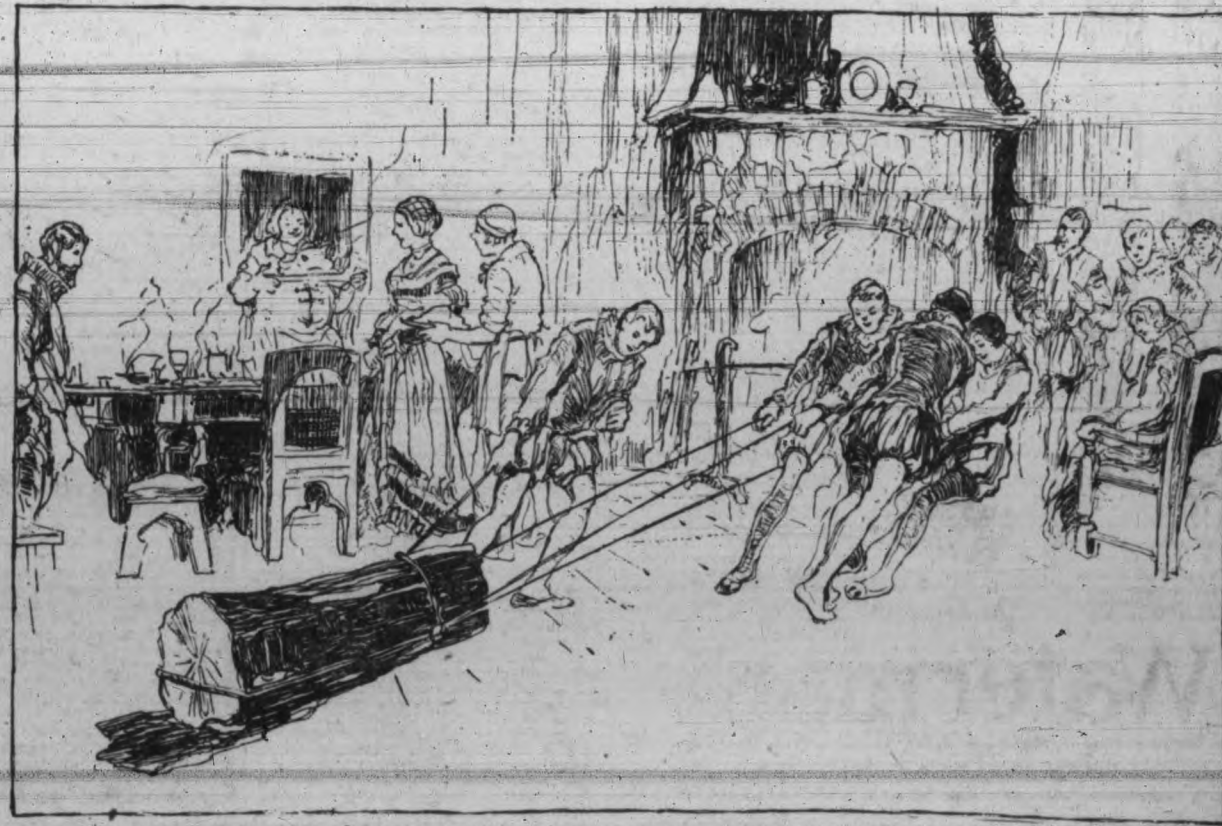
FESTIVE APPEARANCE

With giant Christmas trees brightly illuminated and decorated and festoons of holly and evergreen, the rotunda and other public rooms of the Empress Hotel present a festive appearance, the decorative scheme being in keeping with the seasonal festival.

The Yuletide Festival, which opens to-night with the presentation of "The Chester Mysteries" at the Crystal Garden Theatre, is under the patronage of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Miss Mackenzie. The actors appearing in the dramatic productions during the festival are: Mrs. Frances Ebbs-Canavan, Mrs. Arthur Long, Mr. McLaren, G. Henry Hallett, Frances Hamilton, Ethel Bale, Arthur Long, Herbert Hewett, Captain Hugh Allen, Keith Edgell, J. Leonard Nicholls, Geoffrey D'Arcy, James A. Gibson, Walter Shaw, Margaret Wright, Nesta Carter, Hazel Wright, Peggy Oliver, Stella Cumming and Helen Cotton. The singers in the concealed choir are: Frances James, "Bobbie" Stephens, Dorothy Cox, Mrs. J. Balne, Mrs. Kyle, Josephine Wood and Harold Eustace Key. The string quintette is composed of: First violin, Francis Grat-tan; second violin, Dorothy Francis



The shepherds, led by the angel, approach the crib: Geoffrey D'Arcy, James A. Gibson, Walter Shaw, J. Leonard Nicholls and Miss Ethel Bale.



Medieval custom revived at Yuletide Festival which opens here to-day: Hauling in the Yule Log.

SAYS CITY HAS FINE FUTURE IN AVIATION WORLD

Sidney Pickles Expresses Views Before Toc H Club Here

Comments on Inadvisability of Aerobatics; Landplane Vs. Seaplane

"Victoria has a wonderful future as the Pacific terminal airport of Canada and we must all keep a proper perspective of the coming development in our minds and not let it be disturbed by the weekly total of accidents, nine-tenths of which are unnecessary and avoidable," declared Sidney Pickles, local aviation enthusiast, in an address before the Toc H Club this week.

That aviation would be developed was assured, Mr. Pickles pointed out, and all that was necessary was the wholehearted support of the public and an intensive campaign of safety in connection with the operating of aeroplanes.

Mr. Pickles' address, which was of an extremely interesting nature, was, in part, as follows:

"Aircraft transportation is the coming means for the transfer of both passengers and goods; not that the older methods will be superseded, but the new ones will be a valuable addition to our modern civilization.

"The most important point in developing aviation commercially is to take every possible precaution against accidents, as all accidents, however they arise, unquestionably undermine the public confidence, and without public support the aviation industry cannot prosper.

PRECAUTIONS NEEDED

"As you are all aware, Victoria has recently had two disastrous aeroplane accidents, and it is to be hoped that every precaution will be taken in the future to avoid a repetition of such calamities.

"I am convinced from my flying experience, which commenced sixteen years ago, that aeroplanes, whether they are land planes or seaplanes, when used in their proper places and when they are treated with due respect are a reasonably safe means of conveyance, but one cannot take liberties with them with impunity.

"There is a great liability for pilots to develop an astounding degree of confidence in the structural strength of an aeroplane and then proceed to see how much strain they can impose on it by indulging in all kinds of aerobatics or aerial acrobatics. All reputable aeroplanes are built with an ample high factor of safety for all ordinary flying conditions, and some machines are expressly constructed to withstand the additional strains which must necessarily be imposed on them while carrying out violent aerobatics.

UNNECESSARY AEROBATICS

"Now, aerobatics, in my opinion, are both an unnecessary and undesirable form of flying in times of peace—war flying, of course, is obviously another matter—as all such evolutions impose additional strain on the structure, which occasionally results in the collapse of the machine. All too frequently we read of machines collapsing while carrying out some acrobatic manoeuvre resulting, of course, in the death of its occupants. Only a matter of a few days ago I read of an older friend of mine, Earle Daugherty, a professional aviator who did his first loop as a passenger with me in 1916, being killed while doing a barrel roll at 2,000 feet through the wings coming off his machine. He had two passengers with him and of course they were both killed at the same time.

REGULATIONS

"The Canadian controller of civil aviation has issued a regulation absolutely prohibiting any pilot from indulging in aerobatics while carrying a passenger. This is a very wise and excellent regulation, as far as it goes, but in my opinion it does not go far enough as I believe that all forms of aerobatics, even including uncalculated steeply backed turns near the ground should be prohibited whether the pilot is flying solo or accompanied by passengers. Such a drastic regulation would deter pilots, who are so inclined, from taking unnecessary risks for the purpose of showing off in front of their friends. I have seen several terrible accidents from this cause. The attendant publicity which such accidents incur has a disastrous effect on the public's confidence in aviation.

MR. YARROW'S REMARKS

"The remarks of Norman Yarrow, published in The Times this week, regarding aviation you will no doubt have read. Mr. Yarrow is one of our most prominent business men who is very interested in aviation, and I read his remarks with great pleasure. He has just returned from Europe where he made a close investigation into commercial aviation, and his statement that during the last four years there had not been a single accident involving the death of or injury to paying passengers on the British airlines, and that the aircraft of these lines had flown 3,600,000 miles and had carried 53,000 passengers without a fatality, is an interesting example of the safety of properly organized air services.

"You have no doubt read the various communications, seaplanes and landplanes published in the local press. It is very satisfactory to

read the announcement made by our local aviation company that they propose to re-establish the air service in the New Year using seaplanes and amphibians. I would point out that an amphibian type of aeroplane is one that can regularly alight on and take off from both land and water. Some people have a misconceived idea that a land-type of aeroplane fitted with a form of buoyancy arrangements which would enable it to float in a helpless, half submerged condition in the event of a forced landing on the water is an amphibian. This is absolutely not the case, as an amphibian aeroplane is not by any means helpless in case of a forced landing. It can be navigated by means of a sail. The Marquise de Pinedo has successfully used sails on her seaplane. In case of fog it can simply proceed on the surface like a boat, or if necessary, minor repairs can be made to the motor and the flight resumed. Although a real amphibian has all the safety advantages of a seaplane it incurs superfluous additional weight and cost which are unnecessary on the local routes, being 100 per cent. water propositions.

AEROPLANE MERGER

"Regarding the reported aeroplane merger in Canada, such mergers in principle do not make a great appeal to me as it seems too bad that the smaller organizations in any form of endeavor should be absorbed or squeezed out of existence. In the case of aviation there is this to be said for such mergers, that it would probably mean a highly developed organization of the various air routes under its control with the attendant increase in safety to the traveling public. In the case of a single route it is possible that they may take additional risks to maintain their service as it is their only means of revenue, whereas a larger organization can operate all of its lines in the safest possible manner even if some lines are running at a loss during certain periods. This latter condition exists with most larger transportation organizations in the world today.

"Imagine a large number of small railway concerns operating the various railway services in Canada, each trying to find sufficient revenue to make their particular lines as safe and comfortable as the present large organizations have made their systems. One can readily see that some, if not all, of these smaller concerns would not give the same comfort or safety to the traveling public.

"Although, as I said before, I am not all keen on mergers or combines in principle, but it would be foolish to do the contrary and not look the facts in the face."

Luxton

There was an excellent attendance at the annual school concert given by the pupils of the Happy Valley School, and much credit is due the teacher of the school, Miss T. D. Smith, for the excellent performance, which gave evidence of much preparation.

A. Hankin, secretary of the school board, acted as chairman, and in his introductory remarks spoke of the large number of children now attending the school, and as several pupils were enrolling next year it was likely that additional would have to be made to the school building. Mr. Hankin greeted the illness of Miss Maynard, but was glad to announce Miss Smith would finish out the term.

An attentive audience listened with numbers. Chorus, "Holy Night" (Gruber), by the school; chorus, "Christmas Carol," by the school; recitation, "The Star," Etta McLeod; the shoemaker's dance by eight tiny shoe makers, Elsie Hutchison, Wishart Welch, Sandy Caton, Kathleen Oliver, Adeline Rhodes, George Hutchinson, Faith Osborn, and Alex McKay, dialogue, "The Hole in the Pocket," Elsie Butt and Kenneth Wright; recitation, "Christmas," Esther Hutchison; dialogue, "The New Man," Esther Hutchison and John Caton; play, "Santa Claus's Workshop," Ruth Anderson, Catherine Hutchinson, Fairy Welch, Elsie Butt, Violet Woodruff, Vernice Jacobs, Alex McKay, Norman McLeod, Edith Woodruff, Lawrence Rhode and Violet Bailey; piano solo, Evelyn Smith; dialogue, "The Doctor," Catherine Hutchinson and Wilbur Rhodes; recitation, "Overheard at Christmas," Ruth Anderson; action song, "Seven Little Maids of Japan," Elsie Butt, Violet Woodruff, Catherine Hutchinson, Ruth Anderson, Norma McLeod, Vernice Jacobs and Fairy Welch; play, "Christmas Carol," Edwin and Andrew Anderson, Wilbur Rhodes, Neil McKay, Mary McKay, Wishart Welch, John Caton, Etta McLeod, Elsie Hutchison, Adeline Rhodes, Kenneth Wright, Lena McLeod read a prologue to the play.

Strawberry Vale

The Wilkinson Road United Sunday School held its annual concert and Christmas tree on Thursday. An excellent programme was rendered by the children and adult classes, each class being responsible for several items, which were heartily applauded.

Rev. H. A. Ireland acted as chairman. At the conclusion of the programme Santa Claus paid his annual visit, much to the delight of the children, and distributed presents from the well-laden tree for the members of the Sunday school. The following took part in the programme: Recitation, welcome, Rosalie Knott; solo, Elfrida Jones; recitation, "Dear Old Santa Claus," Pamela Butcher; recitation, "Mrs. Santa Claus," Jessie Swales; recitation and drill, beginners' class; duet, "The Clock," Myra Hodgson and Peggy Smith; recitation, Billy Percival; pianoforte solo, "The Frogs," Ruth Pringle; recitation, "Waiting for Christmas," Lorena McKay; pianoforte solo, Muriel Butt; solo, "Beautiful Star," Dora Fink; recitation, Nora Percival; chorus, "The Bird's Nest," primary girls; recitation, "Because It's Christmas," primary boys; reading, "The Schoolmaster's Guest," Mrs. Van Decar; recitation, six junior class girls; sketch, "When Father Went On a Diet," young men's class; solo, Mr. Kinnaird; chorus, ladies' Bible class.

Military Activities

5th (B.C.) Coast Brigade, C.A. V.D. orders by Lt.-Col. J. C. Harris, O.D. commanding. The following extract from A.A. & P. No. 21 is promulgated for the information of all concerned: 2nd Anti-aircraft section. To be Prov. Lieut. (superannuated) Harrison Jean Desbarats, 15-8-28. (Authority: Canada Gazette).

Attachment—The undermentioned officer of the C.A.M.C. is attached for duty as M.O. (superannuated) with effect from 1-8-28: Captain J. M. Fowler.

Certificate—The following certificate has been awarded: P. Lieut. E. B. Woods, Lieutenant No. 6952, 28-7-28. Colonial Auxiliary Services Long

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Choice Quality Alberta Creamery Butter, per lb. \$1.32
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Domestic Shortening, per package \$1.35
2 packages for \$2.50
Cooker, pure vegetable shortening, lb. 19c
Shamrock Brand Side Bacon, per lb. \$1.50
Swift's Premium Bacon, per lb. \$1.50
Swift's Peameal Back Bacon, per lb. \$1.50
Selected Quality Side Bacon, per lb. \$1.44
Seal of Quality Peameal Back Bacon, per lb. \$1.45
Selected Smoked Picnic Hams, per lb. \$1.22
Boneless Smoked Cottage Rolls, per lb. \$1.33
Sweet Pickled Picnic Hams, per lb. \$1.21
Sweet Pickled Cottage Rolls, per lb. \$1.32

Christmas Hams, Holly Wrapped
Swift's Premium Ham, per lb. \$1.37c
Shamrock Brand Mid-cured Ham, per lb. \$1.35c
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French Roquefort Cheese, per lb. \$1.50c
English Stilton Cheese, per lb. \$1.50c
English Cheshire Cheese, per lb. \$1.50c
Dutch Edam Cheese, per lb. \$1.40c
Canadian Stilton Cheese, per lb. \$1.40c
Kraft Cheese, 1-lb. package \$1.25c
Chateau Cheese, 1-lb. package \$1.25c
Heinz Sweet Mixed Pickles, pint \$1.40c
Heinz Sweet Mustard Pickles, pint \$1.40c

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Libby's Moist Mince-meat, Special, per lb. \$1.21c, 3 lbs. for \$3.59c
Extra Fine French Peas, per tin \$1.25c
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Extra Choice Baby French Mushrooms, per tin \$1.35c

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3 tins for \$3.75c
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Brussels Sprouts, 3 lbs. for \$1.25c
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Imported Chestnuts, per lb. \$1.00c
Superior Mixed Nuts, 3 lbs. for \$1.00c
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Paper Shell Pecans, fancy stock, per lb. 75c
Tarragon Almonds, per lb. \$1.25c
Barcelona Filberts, per lb. \$1.20c

Service Medal—The undermentioned have been awarded the Colonial Auxiliary Forces long service medal under provisions of the Royal Warrant dated the 25th day of January, 1923, and C.O. No. 21 of Feb. 1924: B.S.M. (W.O. Class 2) F. E. Dutot, 55th Hvy. Battery; B.Q.M.S. G. H. Bowden, late 55th Hvy. Battery; Sgt. M. W. Mann, 55th Hvy. Battery; Sgt. McIntyre, E.V. 55th Hvy. Battery; Gunner McKenzie, D.C. 56th Hvy. Battery.

Promotions—The C.O. has been pleased to approve the following promotions, with effect from 1-1-28: Mr. R. H. Raine, C. headquarters, to be band sergeant, acting bandmaster, 23-10-28. (W.O. Class 1). Sgt. Mann, M.W., 56th B.Q.M.S. 56th Hvy. Battery, 10-12-28. L.-Sgt. Zala, M. T. to be sergeant, seniority from 30-5-1925; L.-Sgt. Rudge, A. H., to be sergeant, seniority from 1-7-1928.

Transfer—No. 12, Sgt. Morry, A. G. from 56th Hvy. Battery to 12th Hvy. Battery, 1-7-1928.

Strength Increase—The following man has been taken on the strength from 7-12-1928: No. 68, Gnr. Critchley, M. Hdqrs.

Strength Decrease—The following N.C.O. has been granted his discharge, being time expired, from 14-12-1928: No. 5001, B.Q.M.S. Stuckey, J. Specialists—The undermentioned specialists, having passed their annual qualification tests in order of merit as under, are entitled to the yearly pay of \$36.50: Gun-layers—1128, L.-Sgt. McGrath, J. 1272, L.-Sgt. Dunnell, S.; 1082, L.-Bdr. Tomlinson, R. W.; 1100, L.-Sgt. Hockley, D.; 1083, L.-Sgt. Hatcher, H. N. A. all of 55th Hvy. Battery.

3056, L.-Sgt. Atkins, J.; 3071, L.-Bdr. Quayle, W. K.; 3033, L.-Sgt. Quayle, J.; 3029, L.-Sgt. Eaton, R.; 3094, Gnr. Gilbert, F. L.; 3090, Gnr. Walker, W. all of 56th Hvy. Battery.

DRP—1115, Gnr. Hall, T.; 1109, Gnr. Langley, J. W.; 1122, Gnr. Elliott, J. F. all of 55th Hvy. Battery.

3068, Gnr. Anderson, W. 56th Hvy. Battery. Notice—A Christmas tree entertainment for children of Officers, W.O.s, N.C.O.s and men of the Brigade will be held at the Armory at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, December 26, to be followed at 9 p.m. by a dance. Dancing and cards from 9 p.m. until 12 p.m. Uniforms, Blue Undress—W.O.s, N.C.O.s and men desiring to purchase blue undress uniforms for wear on special occasions, should apply, at the orderly room on Tuesdays or Fridays, what similar in composition to hard rock magnesite is powdery in form and requires a different method of treatment to prepare it for the market.

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Tuckett's Perfectos, 10 for \$1.50

Robert Burns' Invincibles, 10 for \$1.45

Robert Burns' Invincibles, 25 for \$3.50

Ovido Club Selection, 25 for \$3.00

Ovido Congress Selection, 25 for \$2.25

Benson & Hedges' Epicures, 25 for \$3.00

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Needlecases
French Ivory Nail Files
Fountain Pens
Bridge Pads
Glass Flowers
Shoe Horns
Soap Boxes
Plated Jam Spoons
Fry's Chocolate Sets
Candy in tins
DuBarry Soap Tablets
DuBarry Bath Crystals
Powder Puffs
Lavender Blossoms

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Ganong's Toasted Coconut Cakes
Infants' Wool Booties
Butter Knives in Silverware
Sugar Spoons in Silverware
Men's Wide Web Garters in all shades
Leather-end Suspenders in fancy stripes
Men's Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs
Men's Initialed Handkerchiefs
Men's Bow Ties
Lavender Water
Bath Soap
Shaving Mirrors
Cologne
Fancy Talcums
DuBarry Miniature Sets
Powder Compacts
Can Openers
Scissors
Pocket Knives
China Cups and Saucers
Needlecases
Ladies' Garters
Bead Necklets
Brooches
Cuff Links
Key Cases
Boxed Stationery
Boys' Books
Girls' Books
Eversharp Pencils
Fountain Pens
Children's Hosiery
Boxed Handkerchiefs
Tobacco Pouches
Box of Ten Cigars
Cigarette Cases

75c Gifts

Dalrose Soap
Fancy Gift Perfume
Yardley's Lavender
Gibb's Geranium Soap
Powder Compacts
Armchair Ash Trays
Needlecases
Calendars
Shopping Bags
Workboxes
Boxed Stationery
Hat Stands
Rubber Aprons
Boxed Handkerchiefs
Lavender Sachets
Lingerie Clasp
Shoetree Sets
Boys Garter and Mouth Organ Sets
Brooches
Necklets
Pendants
Lett's Diaries
Address Books
Bread Knives
Bread Boards
China Sugar and Cream Sets
China Plates
Spoon Trays
Candlesticks
Cigarette Boxes
Vases, Book Ends
Sugar Shakers
Cushion Covers
Pictures
Pocket Lighters
Prince of Wales Tobacco Pouch
Boxed Flowers
Tree-Jur Face Powder
Washcloth Gift Sets
Hockey Sticks
Children's Rayon Vests
Flower Vases
Sugar Spoons
Napkin Rings
Baby Spoons
Glass Jar of Fruit Satin Candies
Boys' Slippers
Fancy Turkish Towels
Novelty Linen Crash Cloths
Silk Embroidered Runners
Silk Embroidered Three-piece Vanity Sets
Coat Flowers, velvet, silk or metallic
Children's Arctic Wool Slippers

\$1.00 Gifts

Cushion Forms
Needlecases
Rubber Aprons
Boxed Handkerchiefs
English Shopping Bags
Cigarette Cases
Photo Frames
Brooches
Eversharp Pencils
Boxed Stationery
French Ivory Manicure Sets
"Kum-a-part" Cuff Links
Women's Silk Hose
Women's Fabric Gloves
Women's Arctic Wool Bedroom Slippers
Children's Warm-lined Felt Slippers
Boys' Bedroom Slippers
Fancy Gift Soap
Fancy Perfumes
Shaving Bowls
Powder Compacts
Perfumers
Cutex Sets
Lavender Water
Pocket Knives
Alarm Clocks
Watches
Thermos Flasks
Linen Embroidered Crash Towels

\$1.00 Gifts

(CONTINUED)
Men's Boxed Neckwear
Men's Wool Gloves
Three Arrow Tex Collars in gift box
Men's Cashmere Half Hose
Three Men's Belted Handkerchiefs
Hand-embroidered Crash Towels
Briar Pipes
Tobacco Pouches
Box of Ten Cigars
Fifty Virginia Cigarettes
Pictures
Bonbon Dishes
Teapot Stands
Teaspoons
Crepe de Chine Lace-trimmed Brassieres
Crepe de Chine Boudoir Caps
Novelty Chintz Gift Aprons
Rayon Silk and Lisle Bloomers
Chocolate Smoking Sets
Pascall's Three Wise Chocolate Owls

\$1.25 Gifts

Workboxes
Leather Bookcovers
Rubber Aprons
Boxed Handkerchiefs
Shoetree Sets
Cigarette Cases
Umbrellas
Fabric Gloves
Marble Ashtrays
Fancy Bonbon Dishes
Salad Bowls
Syrup Jugs
Vases
Candlesticks
Toast Racks
Candy Jars
Towel Sets
Embroidered Pillowcases
Feather Flowers in Gift Boxes
Dalrose Soap and Crystal Sets
Narcissus Dusting Powder
Incense Burners
William's Shaving Set
Perfumers
Bath Crystals
Children's Felt Slippers
Children's Fancy Brocade Slippers
Children's Cossack Boots
Pictures
Tobacco Pouches
Box of Ten Cigars
Fifty H.B.C. Virginia Cigarettes
Cigarette Holder
Plated Ashtrays
Children's Wool Leggings, sand or white
Little Tot's Knit Wool Pants, white or colors
Rayon Silk Bobettes
Chocolate Vanity Sets

\$1.50 Gifts

Men's English Silk Handkerchiefs
English Tie and Handkerchief Sets
Men's Fancy Half Hose
Men's Paris Garter Sets
Men's Boxed Handkerchiefs
Box of Six Arrow Collars
Boxed Neckwear for men
Infants' Wool Shawls
Workboxes
Handkerchief Boxes
Women's Handkerchief and Scarf Sets
Pearl Necklaces
Brooches
Bracelets
Ashtrays
Silk Scarves
Wool Scarves
Bridge Tally Sets
Silk and Wool Hose

See Back of This Page for Further HBC Shopping News



What Shall I Give and How Much Should I Spend?

While on this page we suggest gifts ranging only from 25c to \$3.95 the store is teeming with gift suggestions at any price one cares to pay—from the least expensive to gifts of much greater value, such as Silver Fox Scarves, beautiful Fur Coats or Oriental Rugs.

Christmas Shoppers' Directory

LOWER MAIN FLOOR	MEZZANINE FLOOR
Fresh Meats and Christmas Poultry	Greeting Cards Magazines Art Needlework Beauty Parlors Gift Wrapping Desk Post Office and Information Bureau Gift Certificates
Groceries and Provisions Cakes and Pastries Christmas Crackers and Stockings Fruits and Vegetables Gift China Radio and Sporting Goods Household Hardware	SECOND FLOOR Christmas Bazaar Gift Lingerie, Kimonos, Etc. Blouses and Sweaters Children's Department Millinery Section Furs and Ready-to-wear Rest Rooms
MAIN FLOOR	THIRD FLOOR
Children's Book Department (near South Entrance) Table Linens and Household Staples Handkerchiefs and Notions Gloves, Hosiery and Neckwear Christmas Candles and Chocolates Stationery and Books Men's and Boys' Furnishings Men's and Boys' Clothing Department Drugs and Toiletries Jewelry and Silverware Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes Shoe Section	TOY TOWN AND SANTA CLAUS Children's Books Rugs and Linoleums Window Draperies Hoover Department Personal Shopping Service
	FOURTH FLOOR
	Restaurant and Tea Room Gift Furniture General Office Gift Certificates

Toytown Specials for Monday

Dressed Baby Dolls With china head, sleeping eyes and composition body. Very lifelike. Regular \$1.50. Special	\$1.49
Woolly Animals Including dogs, teddies and rabbits. Regular \$1.50. Special at	\$1.19
Dolls' Beds Enameled Steel Beds in red and Nile green finish. Complete with cretonne covered pillow and mattress. Regular \$2.25. Special at	\$1.69
Garage and Autos Strongly constructed garage with mechanical sedan and touring cars; also double garage with two fire engines. Regular 99c. Special at	69c
Tricycle Special Strong Steel Frame Tricycles with rubber tired wheels, adjustable saddles, 23 inches from ground to handle bars. Regular \$4.95 and \$5.50. Special at	\$4.69
Wall Blackboards Lytho Boards with varnished wood frames and chalk rest. Size 21x31 inches. Special at	\$1.49
Squeaking Teddy Bears 100 Brown Woolly Teddy Bears, sixteen inches in length. Regular price \$1.10. Special for Monday, each	89c

Hundreds of Toys Marked Down to HALF PRICE

For Monday selling we have grouped hundreds of toys to sell at just half their regular prices. The collection includes Sewing Sets, Building Blocks, Table Games, Carpet Sweepers, Mechanical Autos, Trains and Boats, Tool Sets, Painting Sets and many others too numerous to mention. Shop early for the best choice.

—Third Floor, HBC

\$1.50 Gifts

(CONTINUED)
Plated Celery Trays
Silk Embroidered Dresser Scarves
Towel Sets
Embroidered Pillowcases
Fancy Turkish Towels
Linen Crash Tablecloths
Madeira Centres
Tray Cloths and Runners
Crepe de Chine Ties
Electric Curlers
Bathroom Mirrors
Cutex Sets
Perfumers
Deauville Bath Cubes
Plated Baby Cups
Plated Butter Dishes
Tea Strainers
Cold Meat Forks
Cigarette Lighters
Children's Crocheted Jackets
Women's Rayon Silk Vests
Infants' Voile Shortening Frocks

\$1.75 Gifts

Men's Black Curl Gauntlet Gloves
Men's Paris Armbands, Garter and Handkerchief Sets
French Flapper Dolls
Workboxes
Marble Clocks
Men's Cuff Links
"Chatterbox"
Women's Gloves
Silk Hose
Umbrellas
Silk and Wool Hose
Pendants
Brooches
Necklets
Children's Dressing Gowns, for 2 to 6 years
Infants' Record Books
Cadbury's Boxed Chocolate
Men's Bedroom Slippers
Football
Tea Cotes
Fancy Vases
Fancy Bonbonniers
Sugar and Cream Sets
Powder Boxes
Fern Pots
Fancy Cup and Saucer
Dalrose Shaving Bowls
Shaving Brushes
Brass Cigarette Boxes
Brass Ashtrays
Smoker's Sets
Plated Teapot Stands
Plated Salt and Pepper Shakers
Plated Bonbon Dishes
Brass Cigarette Humidor
Tobacco Pouches
Embroidered Pillowcases
Towels
Fancy Linens
Crepe de Chine Tie and Handkerchief Sets

\$1.95 Gifts

Thermos Flasks
Cigarette Boxes
Brass Vases
Briar Pipes
Tobacco Humidor
Embroidered Pillowcases
Bath Mats
Linen Luncheon Sets
Linen Towel Sets
Linen Bridge Sets
Men's Shirts
Men's Tweed Caps
Men's Rayon or Wool Scarves
Women's Silk Hose
Women's Crepe de Chine Scarves
Women's Umbrellas
"Ship" Ashtrays
Bracelets
Necklets
Shopping Bags
Boudoir Clocks
Children's Knit Wool Pullovers
Little Fellows' Silk and Wool Suits

Open This Evening Until 9 o'Clock

OPEN MONDAY UNTIL 10 P.M.

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\$1.95 Gifts

(CONTINUED)
Pink Satin Brassiere and Garter Sets in gift box
Rayon Tailored Nightgowns
3-lb. Box Christmas Candy
Plated Nut Bowls
Fancy Bonbon Dishes
Pair of Military Hair Brushes
Hudnut's Fancy Perfume
Dalrose Shaving Bowls

\$3.50 Gifts

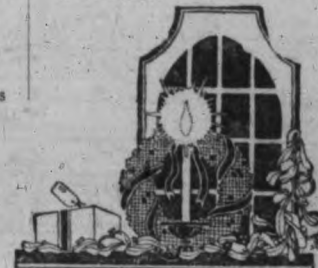
Axminster Rugs
End Tables
Hudnut's Perfumes
Hudnut's Gift Sets
Shaving Brushes
Charvair Perfume Gift Sets
H.B.C. Imperial Mixture Gift Jar
Box of Twenty-five Cigars
Silver-mounted Pipe
Leather Handbags
Marble Clocks
Novelty Clocks
Brilliant Bracelets
Amber Beads
Silk Scarves
Wool Scarves
Silk Hose
Wool Hose
Parker Fountain Pens and Pencils
Waterman Fountain Pens and Pencils
Kid Gloves
Mesh Handbags
Billfolds
Stude Shopping Bags
Music Cases
Cameras
Women's Umbrellas
Rayon Silk Lace-trimmed Nightgowns
Cadbury's Bourneville Chocolates, boxed.
Table Runners
Fancy Cushions
Fancy Bowls
Cutglass Bonbonniers
Cutglass Spoon Holders
Jardiniere
Candlesticks
End Tables

\$3.95 Gifts

Hudnut's Gift Sets
Pair of Military Brushes
Perfumers
Hair Brushes
Metallic Evening Flowers
Electric Irons
Electric Lamps
Box of Twenty-five Cigars
Bakelite Smoker Sets
Women's Silk Scarves
Women's Neckwear
Wool Scarves
Fountain Pens
Novelty Clocks
Brownie Cameras
Brilliant Bracelets
Necklets
Brooches
Butterfly Pendants
Butterfly Picture Frames
Leather Handbags
Zipper Suede Bags
Gloria Silk Umbrellas
Italian Silk Bloomers
Satin Silk Blouses
Negligees
Plated Sugar and Cream Sets
Salad Bowls
Vases
Flower Bowls
Comports
Boys' Dressing Gowns
Wall Mirrors

\$2.95 Gifts

Rayon Silk Nightgowns
Card Tables
Mirrors
Eversharp Pencils
Leather Writing Cases
Lace Vestee Sets
Leather Handbags
Women's Umbrellas
Feather Flowers
Silk Hose
Kid Gloves
Boudoir Clocks
Handkerchief and Scarf Sets
Wool Scarves
Italian Linen Bridge Sets
Infants' Wool Shawls
Infants' Novelty Pullovers
Children's Dressing Gowns 8 to 16 years
Women's Rayon Nightgowns
Parkard's Boudoir Slippers
Men's Dress Pumps
Vases
Jardiniere
China Cups and Saucers
Dutch Pottery
China Cake Sets



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FINE CUT. Times Engraving Department
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HOUSES AND ACREAGE

ATTENTION: HOME BUYERS
5000 Down—Here's a Real Buy

5 ROOM MODERN BUNGALOW, FINE
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See this Monday.

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100 Yards from nice beach, well-built semi-
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FULLY MODERN 4-ROOM BUNGALOW
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WHERE IS TOM CARR?

PRAIRIE DELL—TEXAS—
CURVE LEFT—RIGHT ON
THE RIGHT HAND ROAD—
131 MORE MILES
TO SAN ANTONIO—
THE OLD EAGLE
HOT ON THE
TRAIL—



HERE'S A BILL

NOW I WANT YOU
TO LISTEN TO ME—
THERE'S \$40.00 FOR MEAT ALONE—
THAT'S JUST ONE ITEM—
NOW I'VE TOLD YOU TO CUT DOWN—
LAMB CHOPS
90¢ FOR THREE—
THAT'S
TERRIBLE



ALMONDS—STUFFED WITH ANCHOVIES—

WHAT FOOLISHNESS—
NOW THAT'S
A WASTE—
I COULD CUT YOUR GROCERY BILLS
IN HALF—I'LL MAKE OUT YOUR LIST
EVERY DAY—I'LL HELP YOU PLAN
YOUR MEALS—I WANT THESE
BIG BILLS TO COME TO AN END—
OR THERE WILL BE
A CHANGE
AROUND
HERE



I'LL COME

OUT HERE
AND RUN
THIS KITCHEN
MYSELF



DID YOU

HEAR A NOISE?
I THOUGHT
I HEARD
A VOICE



Salt Spring

T. Slingsby left on the Ss. Otter on
Wednesday to spend the Christmas
holidays with his parents in Victoria.

Miss Marjorie Hardy of Vancouver has
been the guest of Dr. E. W. Sutherland
of Ganges for a week or two.

The pupils of Formby House School
held their annual prize giving and
breaking-up party in the schoolroom
on Wednesday evening, December 19,
the parents and friends of the children
being present. After the distribution
of prizes, games and refreshments
followed—a jolly evening being enjoyed
by all.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Dean left on
Thursday for Vancouver to spend the
Christmas holidays with their daughter
and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H.
Fullerton.

L. Peterson was a passenger on the
Ss. Charming to Vancouver on Thurs-
day to spend the holidays with friends
there.

The children of the Divide School
held their Christmas concert and prize

giving in the Divide Schoolhouse on
Wednesday evening. A large crowd
being present. After the close of the
concert children and parents journeyed
by motor down to the Mahon Hall,
Ganges, where the teacher, Miss Yrie,
assisted by friends, served supper to
all. A dance followed, a number of
friends coming in later. The excellent
music was furnished by Madame
Bertucci's Orchestra, and a very pleas-
ant and happy time enjoyed by all.

H. Peters, who has been in town for
a few days, has returned to the Island.

Mrs. Cunningham, who has been
spending a short holiday in Victoria,
has returned to her home at the Cen-
tral Settlement.

The Burgoyne Valley School held its
annual Christmas breaking-up party on
Wednesday evening in the Institute
Hall. Owing to several other parties
being held on the same evening there
was not such a large crowd as in past
years, but the dance, Eaton's Orchestra
supplied the music.

The Mahon Hall, Ganges, was crowd-
ed to capacity on Tuesday evening
when the pupils of the high school
and Ganges public school combined in
presenting a most attractive programme
on the occasion of their annual break-
ing-up concert. The item given by the
high school boys and girls, under the
direction of the principal, A. Robertson,
were excellent and showed the effects
of good coaching. The dialogue by
Miss Betty Kingston and Nancy Elliott,
pupils of the Senior Class, Ganges
School, was splendid and merited
the applause it received. Nursery
rhymes, little grandpieces, were out-
standing features of the programme of
the small members of the Institute
Junior Class, and the little performers
were cheered to the echo. Refreshments
were served after the concert. Eaton's
Orchestra supplied the music.

Langford

The Women's Institute Hall was
beautifully decorated with evergreen
and pretty Christmas ornaments for the
institute's card party, held on Wednes-
day evening. Progressive bridge and
other games were enjoyed by the
honors falling to Mrs. H. A. Hincks and
William Savory for bridge, with Mrs.
George Alkan and A. B. Cuthbertson
setting the consolation prizes. At the
five hundred tables Mrs. James L.
Brown and Samuel Watts were success-
ful, while C. Campbell and Jack Wil-
kinson were the winners of the consol-
ation trophies.

The beautifully iced Christmas cake
was drawn for the lucky number being
738. The person holding this ticket
should apply to the L. G. Wilkinson
store for his prize. Mr. Wilkinson is
heartily thanked by the school com-
mittee for his kindness in handling the
cake. The supper table was very at-
tractive, pretty pots of pointsettias be-
ing the decoration. Eight visitors from
Royal Oak were welcomed. Before dis-
persing a hearty vote of thanks was
accorded the president and social com-
mittee for the season's card parties,
which have proved so enjoyable. The
next party will be held on Wednesday,
January 2.

F. A. Sparks of St. Aidan's School,
was one of the passengers returning to
Victoria on the Princess Adelaide on
Wednesday morning, when she collided
with the Hamilton. Mr. Sparks re-
turned on the Princess Adelaide, and
was able to keep his engagement to play
in a badminton match at Colwood Hall
note the worse for the adventure.

**Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cooper are vis-
iting their daughter, Mrs. Arthur
Knappett of Portland for Christmas,
and will then visit friends in Tacoma.**

J. P. Shaw, a former resident of
Midstream Ranch, and now living at
Midford, Saskatchewan, was here on
Thursday visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. A.
Hincks.

MONARCHS WIN

Vancouver, Dec. 22.—King-Edgar
pucksters, tumbled to a 2-1 defeat
at the hands of Monarchs at the Arena
last night, in a city senior amateur
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Chicago, Dec. 22.—The national
championship for 1929 will be held
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Scout and Cub News

DISTRICT NOTICE
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quested to attend the scout dinner on
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WOLF CLUB NEWS
Old Wolves' Council—At the Old
Wolves' Council which was held on
December 5, it was decided to post-
pone the next council a week until
January 9. The district badge class
will be discontinued until after the
first of the year. All entries for the
proposed akela course are to be handed
in to the District Commissioner, H. T.
Ravenhill, by January 9. Two akela
for each week were appointed to take
charge of the Saturday morning swim-
ming for the cubs.

North Quadra Pack—North Quadra
Pack had a very busy meeting on De-
cember 14. Akela instructed the four
recruits who will take their promise
next week, and explained how solemn
a thing it was to make a promise,
and asked each one if he was pre-
pared to make it. Each boy was given
a chance to decide if he really wished
to join the Pack or drop out before
he was finally made a Wolf Cub. All
four decided they wished to join, so
there will be an investiture ceremony
next week.

**The cub instructors attended to sig-
nalling and knot instruction. Akela**
examined all the tenderpads in knots.
Douglas Dunn and Dick Williams have
completed this test, and the others
are shortly through. A pow-wow was
held on the "Circle F."

The cubs are busy getting a hamper
ready for a family who has had some
very bad luck, and all the cubs are
reminded to bring their contributions
to the next meeting. The troop is
helping in this by supplying a roast
of beef. An exciting game of "duster
hockey" was played, also a knotting
relay race. The wolf head for the week
was won by the Grays.

The following stars and badges were
gained during the month of November:
Second Seamus Rednap of the Grays,
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dren was given his "collectors" badge,
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NEWS IN BRIEF

The Friendly Help Association wishes to acknowledge with grateful thanks an anonymous donation of \$50 received yesterday.

The Right Rev. C. S. Spalding will hold a service in the parlors of the Y.W.C.A. on Christmas morning at 10 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

A large number of prizes have been donated by local merchants for the British Columbia Provincial Rabbit Breeders' Association Winter show which will be held at the Willows on January 21, 22 and 23.

Loss of a wallet containing \$383 in two \$100 bills and the rest in \$20 bills was reported to the police last night by Paul Sanderson of the tug Sadie. The wallet was white in color and also contained the owner's bank book.

Mr. Justice M. A. Macdonald will address the Metropolitan Brotherhood on Tuesday, January 2. The subject of the lecture will be "Public Opinion." A large attendance is expected. The lecture will be open to the public.

Ward Seven Saanich Liberal Association will hold a dance on New Year's Eve at the Burnside Bowling Green Hall, Burnside Road, from 9 to 1 o'clock. Mould's Orchestra will be in attendance.

Meetings of the Victoria Independent Theosophical Society will be discontinued during the holidays. Study will be resumed on January 3 and on Monday, January 7, Rev. W. G. H. Ellison will lecture on "The Migration of Peoples."

Under an order authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-council members of the Oak Bay police force have been vested with certain powers possessed by the provincial police, which will enable them to control trawlers in the municipality, a power not conferred in the ordinary way to municipal police.

Results of the turkey tombola conducted by the Mooseheart Legion, Victoria Branch No. 53, were announced to-day, the following being the winning numbers: 228, 90 and 179 for turkeys; 149, 330, 541, 559 and 486 for chickens. Ticket holders are asked to call at 2639 Prior Street to receive their prizes.

Ticket No. 375 held by W. Marshall, was the winning ticket on the turkey tombola held by the ladies' auxiliary of the United Commercial Travelers at the K. of C. Hall last night, following the club's Christmas dinner. Afterwards about sixty members and guests participated in dancing and singing.

Sixty children of Saanich Municipality were this morning provided with shoes and stockings by the Saanich police Christmas fund which is used at this time of the year to look after the less fortunate children of the district. The children called at the police office this morning for their parcels and all left delighted with what Santa Claus has left there for them. The police Christmas fund also is for providing groceries and wood and coal for needy families within the municipality.

Most of the British Columbia cabinet ministers whose homes are away from Victoria have left here for the Christmas holidays. Hon. F. P. Burden, Minister of Lands, has left with Mrs. Burden and members of their family for Prince George, their former home. Hon. S. L. Howe, Provincial Secretary, and Hon. W. C. Shelly, Minister of Finance, left yesterday for their homes in Vancouver, where they will spend Christmas Day. Premier Tolmie, now in the East, expects to be back in Victoria Christmas morning. There will be no official meetings of the Government until Wednesday of next week.

A most enjoyable concert was given in the sunroom of the tubercular ward of the Jubilee Hospital on Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Victoria Women's Institute. The programme was arranged by the Columbia School of Music. The following artists taking part: Vocal solos, Mrs. D. G. Combe, Mrs. Eade, Miss Dorothy Hart, Miss Foster and Miss Doris Rawlins. Instrumental: violin, Miss B. Graham, R. Macle and George Tate. Piano: Desmond Burden-Murphy, accompanist, Miss Olive Heal, L.A.B. During the concert Christmas gifts from the V.M.I. were given to the patients and refreshments served by Mrs. Easton, an her committee. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the concert party from the patients and Women's Institute.

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Friendly Help Society Recalls Generosity on Many Occasions

While workers were busy packing Christmas hampers at the Friendly Help Society yesterday afternoon, the president, Mrs. Cullum, called a special meeting to pay tribute to the memory of Hon. W. C. Nichol, who took a personal interest in all its activities.

She recalled one Christmas time when, as Lieutenant-Governor, he came up to the rooms when all were busy packing, as to-day, to see what the work was, and if the society had all that specially was needed. She also recalled his kind thoughtfulness on a very cold Sunday afternoon when he telephoned long-distance to Miss Lawson to say he would be responsible for all fuel required in the coming week. "As a man and friend he will be keenly missed, but the influence of his kind thought, as well as his good deeds will live on," said Mrs. Cullum.

A standing vote of sympathy was given in loving memory of one who had endeared himself to all, and the secretary was instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the family of the late Mr. Nichol.

POPULAR YOUTH DIED YESTERDAY

"Ned," Son of Dr. S. J. Willis, Succumbed After Long Illness; Funeral Sunday

Widespread sympathy is being extended to Dr. S. J. Willis, Superintendent of Education, and Mrs. Willis in the death yesterday of their second son, Edward Charles, popularly known as "Ned," who passed away after a lingering illness, at the family residence, 1521 Fort Street.

The lad was born in Victoria nineteen years ago and received his education at the Boys' Central School and the Victoria High School, from which he matriculated in June, 1925, passing on to the Victoria College. Before his illness he took an active interest in High School activities and was a popular member of the rugby team.

A boy of an unusually sunny, generous disposition, he was beloved by all his school friends and teachers. He had been ailing for over a year, but he bore his long illness with the cheerfulness and courage which were among his most notable characteristics, and his passing occasioned very real grief to a host of friends.

The remains are reposing at the B. C. Funeral Chapel. The cortege will leave on Sunday at 1:30 for the Metropolitan Church, where Rev. W. G. Wilson will conduct services at 1:30. Interment will be made in Royal Oak Burial Park.

Mrs. May Nesbitt Passes Away After Lengthy Illness

After a illness of more than a year's duration, Mrs. May Nesbitt, widow of the late Samuel Nesbitt, passed away at her home in Vancouver early this morning. Mrs. Nesbitt suffered a stroke more than twelve months ago and never rallied from its effects.

The late Mrs. Nesbitt was well known in Victoria, where she spent her girlhood days. She was the daughter of the late Captain and Mrs. Ella and was married to Samuel Nesbitt at the old family home on Fort Street, well known to all old timers.

Mrs. Nesbitt is survived by one daughter and one son, Mrs. Spencer Barnes and George Nesbitt in Vancouver; one sister, Mrs. L. M. B. Dodds of Victoria, and two brothers, Henry Ella and Fred Ella of Victoria.

RIFLE SHOOTING

Turkeys and chickens won by the various marksmen of the 58th Anti-aircraft, 12th Siege and 56th Battery can be obtained at Captain Godsen's residence, 1831 Quadra Street, between the hours of 6 to 7 p.m. to-day.

All winners in the shoot will receive prizes and those of the 58th Battery who shot may call at The Colonel for their awards.

The results of the shoot are as follows:
Brigade Turkey—Major Crockett, birdie 3.
58th Battery—Gnr. Newman, birdie 3; turkey, Gnr. Newman, birdie 3; chicken, Gnr. Turner, birdie 3; chicken, Sgt. Maxwell, bogie 4; Gnr. Denison, bogie 4; Gnr. Wiffen, bogie 4; Gnr. Butler, bogie 4; Gnr. Walker, bogie 4; Sgt. McGregor, score 5; Capt. Godsen, score 5; Gnr. Morrell, score 5; Gnr. Harrison, score 6; Bdr. James, score 6; Gnr. Setterington, score 9; Sgt. Pretwell, score 10.
56th Battery—Bdr. Quayle, birdie 3; turkey, Sgt. Denison, birdie 3; chicken, Sgt. Atkins, bogie 4; Sgt. Quayle, bogie 4; Sgt. Richardson, bogie 4; Gnr. Chipper, score 6; Gnr. S. Brown, score 6; Major Clearbue, score 8; Sgt. Eaton, score 10.
12th Siege—Lt. Woods (A.A.), birdie 4; turkey, Bdr. Ross (A.A.), score 5; chicken, Bandsman Drysdale, score 6; Bdr. Trach, score 6; Gnr. Chapman, score 7; Capt. Thompson, score 9; Lt. Desbarras, score 10; Gnr. Cunningham, score 10.

Winning numbers in the Royal Oak Women's Institute tombola were announced to-day. Prizes may be called for at the New England Meat Market, 250 Yates Street, Victoria. The winning numbers are: 501, 1412, 523, 1805, 92, 588, 217, 445, 2251, 3666, 983, 2218, 2490, 2528, 2333, 1373, 1149, 1701, 889, 738, 2644, 2141, 601, 542, 3623, 267, 2472, 2823, 2270, 3625, 3219, 993, 855, 777, 202, 2108, 2134, 1802, 219, 1869, 2999, 1574, 2563, 266, 1127, 3624, 2140, 1185, 558, 2185, 523, 2845, 990, 643, 171, 092, 3448, 232, 782, 950, 956, 641, 1179, 289, 222, 2451, 2122, 2162, 93, 110, 1536, 266, 2655, 3591, 1425, 495, 780, 3029, 875, 90, 441, 1062, 1744, 2365, 931, 638, 1662, 571, 190, 2992, 105, 3005, 3671, 3618, 982, 3611, 2377, 3630.

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- 6867—"Song of the Viking Quest," Challapin.
- 120801—"The Mikado," Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
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- 21515—"Dusky Stevedore," Nat Skilkrit Orchestra.
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A very enjoyable concert was given by the North Sooke School on Wednesday. Although the school has only eleven pupils, it entertained a crowded room for over an hour with songs, recitations and two plays. The most outstanding item being a play, "The Lost Camel," put on by Grades 1 to 2. Santa Claus then entered with a big bag of toys for the children of the district. Candy and oranges were given to all after which refreshments were served by the trustees, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Lorimer and Mrs. Doran. The entertainment was a great credit to L. Matthews, the teacher, but was only

"GIVE A JOB"

The thanks of the Employment Service of Canada, Victoria branch, for the co-operation of all who helped to make the "Give a Job" slogan a success this year was extended by officials of the bureau to-day. Every hope is expressed that the objective of 100 odd jobs required to take up the slack in seasonal gaps in employment, customary at this time of the year, will be reached before Christmas Day. Many Victorians are going to extra efforts to decorate their homes and premises this year, in keeping with the Yuletide festivities of Victoria's first organized Winter festival. If help is required with this or other work a telephone call to 184 may bring a happy solution of the problem.

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The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for December 23. Paul's Last Message, 2 Timothy iv 1-8, xvi 18.

By WM. E. GILROY, D.D.

There is an unusual manifestation of good cheer which is oftentimes little more than good cheer toward those of our own households and family circles, and that has little relation to the fullness and richness of the love of God that gave his gift to the world in Christ, and the earthly purposes of the Master Himself in the experiences that led Him from Bethlehem to Calvary. It is time that we should challenge a little more vitally our Christmas good will and good

Symbol and days often attain their greatest emphasis when the realities have already been established. Christmas is the extent of the world's celebration of Christ's birth by which means the extent of the world's true and heartfelt response to Christ's love is shown in Christmas all the time. The fact that dominated everything in his life was the coming of the Saviour and the salvation that had come into the world through His birth. It is this that gives significance to his lesson on the closing aspect of his career. The ideals that have inspired his teaching of Christ are the things that he enjoins upon Timothy: his son in the faith. He exhorts him never to forget the greatest fact of Christ's life: that He should preach the word; he is to be an evangelist; he is to make full proof of his ministry by winning souls for

And it is interesting to note that as Paul's whole life had been dominated by the coming of Christ, so now its triumphant aspect is associated with his thought of the reappearing of the Lord: "I have fought a good

bass solo; recit. "Thus Saith the Lord"; air, "But Who May Abide." F. Wright; contralto solo and chorus; recit. "Behold a Virgin Shall Conceive and Bear a Son"; "Fast Come Tidings." M. J. Morton; bass solo; recit. "For Behold-Darkness"; air, "The People That Walked in Darkness," D. J. Edmunds; chorus. "For Unto Us a Son is Born." Organ; "A Song of Praise." E. Parsons; recitatives. "They Were Shaphards," "And Lo' the Angel of the Lord," "And the Angel Saith Unto Them," "And Suddenly," Mrs. E. Parsons; chorus. "Glory Be Unto Thee, O God," "Rejoice Greatly." Mrs. E. Parsons; contralto solo; recit., "Then Shall the Eyes of the Blind"; air, "He Shall Feed His Flock," Mrs. S. M. Morton; soprano solo, air, "Behold the King," Mrs. A. Dower; "Balletic Chorus."

"The Birth of Nations" will be the Christmas subject at the Universal Church of Christ, Sons of England Hall, 1216 Broad Street, to-morrow evening at 7.30 o'clock. The pastor Mrs. Florence Wiffen, will conduct the service.

"Silent Night" will be sung as a duet.

The usual song service commences at 7.15 and the Bible study class will be held at 3 p.m. At the close of evening service there will be a healing period.

Services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church to Feature Christmas

ing on "The Immanuel Jesus," based on Matt. 1 21-23, and in the evening on "His Mother's Hymn," known as "The Magnificat," which has been sung in Christian services since the middle of the sixth century at least.

Special Christmas music will be given, and a service of praise will be held in the evening.

At the morning service there will be

numbers will be: Organ, "Jesu Bambino" (Yon); anthem, "Behold I Bring You Glad Tidings" (Clare), with solo by Mr. E. Durrant; solo, "Following the Star" (Prindle Scott); Mr. A. W. Trevett; carol anthem, "The Christmas Story" (Heartes), with solos by Mrs. H. Tate and Miss Crawford; carols "Ring Out, O Merry Christmas Bells"; "The Plains of Bethlehem" and "Sing O Ye People"; organ, "Marche Triumphale" (Gulmont).

be Holy Communion at 6, 7, 8 and 9:15 and, after shortened matins, 11 a.m. and evensong at 5:15.

CAROL: Special music to be rendered tomorrow will include: "O Thou, That Tellest Good Tidings To Zion," from Handel's "Messiah," and "Gloria." The solo will be sung by Miss Nora Jones.

Organ volunteers will be "Chant de Noël" (Laispoune), "Fantasy on the March" (W. W. Best; Two Nois) (Bonnet).

CHRISTMAS DAY

The annual programme for the Festival of Christmas will be as follows:

9.00 am—Community service, Sydney Nicholson.

10.00 am—Large organ of Westminster Abbey.

11.00 am—Hymn by "Christians Awake".

Organ voluntaries, Overture to "Messiah".

That the cash will be equal to the cost of the service.

MAKE UP DEFICIT

Once again the Christmas appeal has been successful. It is hoped that the "pots" will be kept boiling and that the deficit from last year's total will be made up.

As Christmas Eve falls on Monday next there will be no meeting of the British-Lrenal Association.

Senorita C.G.I.T. Group of Oak Bay United Church will visit the Children's Aid Home with entertainment and good cheer for the residents.

The evening service address will be on the text: "For Unto You Is Born Saviour." There will be special singing at all the services.

**James Bay United Church Will
Hold Choral Services To-
morrow**

Rev. Thos. Keyworth Will
Discuss Prince of Peace

Services in keeping with the Christmas spirit will be conducted by Rev. Thomas Keyworth to-morrow at James Bay United Church. The theme of the morning service will be "What Kind of a Peace is Christ The Prince Off?"

The evening service will consist of old carols, anthems and solos. The story of Christmas, illustrated by lantern slides.

Mrs. T. Southern will be the soloist at the morning service and the anthem will be "Brightest and Best" (Lorenz). The soloist for the evening service

gan, assisted by Mrs. G. H. E. Green at the piano. The musical director will be Mr. Fred Parfitt.

1. Why did Herod order the massacre of all babies in Bethlehem?
2. What happened to Joseph shortly after the departure of the wise men?
3. What did Joseph do?
4. By what road did they travel?
5. What reminder is there to this day of the passing of Joseph and his family?

6. By what cities did they enter Egypt?
7. Near what great modern city did they enter Egypt?
8. How long did they remain there?
9. When did this event take place?
10. How old was Christ when he returned to Bethshara?

The answers to these questions will be found below. How many can you answer?

1. He hoped that the Saviour would be among those killed.
2. An angel appeared to Joseph in a dream and commanded him to go to Egypt.
3. He took Christ and His Mother to Egypt, near Egypt.
4. By way of Hebron and Bethshara.
5. A little mosque at Bethshara, dedicated by the Russians to "Saint Joseph the Carpenter."
6. Pelusium, Heliopolis and Egyptian Babylon.
7. Cairo.
8. Until the death of Herod.
9. A.D.
10. He was about nine years of age.

At the New Thought Temple tomorrow morning Evelyn Davis will lecture on the "Birth of Jesus." The subject will be handled from the standpoint of the fulfillment of the prophecies. Why Jesus to the Jewish people, and why Joseph and Mary were chosen as the parents will be shown. The beginning of a new cycle and the closing of the old will be featured.

The subject for the evening service will be "The Announcement to the Shepherds of the Birth of the Christ." The shepherds' story and what this revelation means to man will be discussed.

There will be a solo and Christmas car-

The Shepherds Came and Found Mary and Joseph and the Babe Lying in a Manger (ST. LUKE: CHAP. 2)



In Our Churches

CAROL SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY NIGHT

Popular Selections Will Be Rendered at Evening Service

Christmas Day Programme Includes Many Yuletide Airs

Services at St. John's Church tomorrow will consist of Holy Communion at 8 a.m., Morning Prayer at 11 o'clock, and a carol service in the evening. The pastor, Rev. J. P. Chadwick, will preach at the 11 o'clock service.

The carols to be sung at the evening service will include "The First Noel," "Hark, What Mean These Holy Voices," "Starry Starry Night," "When Christ Was Born," "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," and "Holy Night."

A short organ recital will be given by Mr. G. J. Burnett commencing at 7:10, during which the following numbers will be given: "Cantata Pastorale," by Guilford; "Pastorale," by "Wey," and "Alleluia," by Couperin. The carol service will begin at 7:30.

On Christmas Day there will be Holy Communion at 7:15 a.m., 8 a.m., and Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 11 o'clock. The following music will be rendered on Christmas morning: "Festival Te Deum" in F by Smart. The anthem will be "There Were Shepherds Abiding," set to music by Mr. G. J. Burnett. The hymns will include: "O Come All Ye Faithful," "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," and "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

CHILDREN TO ATTEND CHURCH

Wilkinson Road United Church Services Feature Christmastide

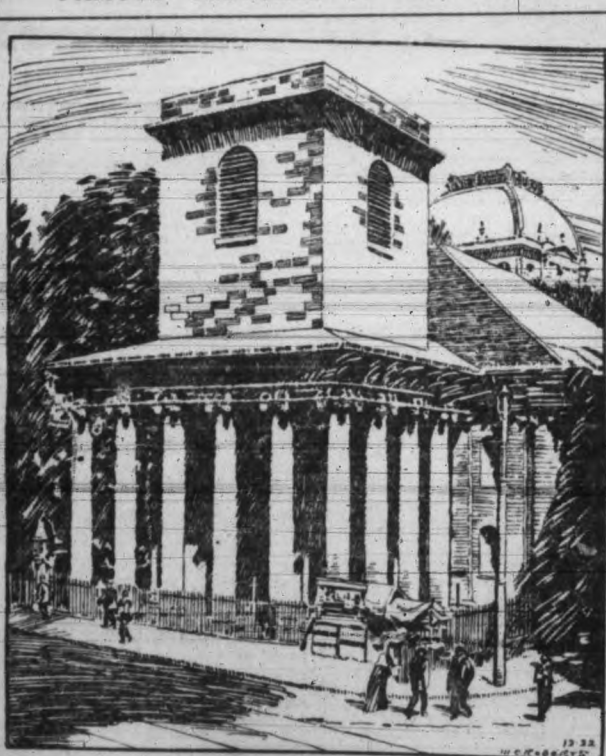
Christmas will be the theme to-morrow at Wilkinson Road United Church. The Sunday School will attend the morning service of the church, when Rev. H. A. Ireland will tell the story of "The Other Wise Man." Mr. Wood will sing "Star of Bethlehem."

In the evening the address will be on "Christmas Joy for Common People." Special music will be featured at both services.

At Garden City a programme is being arranged for to-morrow afternoon by members of the Sunday School to celebrate White Gifts Sunday. "The Other Wise Man" will also be told.

The Garden City Christmas tree entertainment will be held on Friday next.

FAMOUS CHURCHES OF THE WORLD



KINGS CHAPEL, BOSTON, MASS.

A small square building, with a square tower at its western end, erected about 1690, during the reign of King James II, represented the first Episcopalian church edifice in Boston. It had never been named and so, when in 1702 news came of the death of James and the accession of Queen Anne, it was named Queen's Chapel. It contained a Bible, the gift of King James, still in use in the newer successor of the structure, and valuable linen, silver communion service and silk damasks, the gifts of Anne; and after the enlargement of the church in 1710 its interior, fitted up in luxurious style by the wealthy parishioners, was in great contrast to the rude simplicity of the Puritan meeting houses of the city.

The interior was decorated with banners, escutcheons and coats of arms of England and the Governor of Massachusetts, as well as those of the noble families of England whose members occupied pews here. On the east wall were painted the Ten Commandments.

GORGE CHOIR TO RENDER CAROLS

Attractive Christmas Music at Centennial Church To-morrow

The addresses and the music in Centennial United Church, Gorge Road, to-morrow will be in keeping with the season and will be of a special nature. The morning subject will be: "The Coming of the New Life," and the evening, "While Christmas means to us." J. Smith will be at the organ for the day and will render a brief organ recital commencing at 7:15 p.m. The following is the musical programme for the day:

Morning—Organ prelude, "Chant Du Matin," Guilford, and "Fugue in E Minor," Bach. The Centennial Boys' Chorus will sing, "Silent Night," and the choir will render the carol, "Christians Awake," and the anthem, "The First Christmas Morn." J. W. Buckler will sing, "Athena Celestial."

Evening—Organ prelude, "Offertoire on Christmas carols," "Pastorale in A," Berceuse, Eric Webster; chorus, "And the Glory of the Lord," carols, "Silent Night," and "O Come All Ye Faithful," anthem, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," organ postlude, "Festival March." There will be a baptismal service in connection with the morning worship period.

On Christmas Day there will be Holy Communion at 7:15 a.m., 8 a.m., and Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 11 o'clock. The following music will be rendered on Christmas morning: "Festival Te Deum" in F by Smart. The anthem will be "There Were Shepherds Abiding," set to music by Mr. G. J. Burnett. The hymns will include: "O Come All Ye Faithful," "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," and "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

GIFTS SERVICE AT EMMANUEL

Rev. Henry Knox Will Deliver Christmas Message

Special preparations have been made to fittingly observe Christmas in the services at Emmanuel Baptist Church to-morrow, Rev. Henry Knox will be in charge.

Following an established custom a "White Gift Service" will be held at 11 o'clock. The opportunity of presenting gifts of substance, service and self will be given. Music will be provided by the primary department and a group of teen-age girls from the Sunday School and the choir will sing "Christmas Awake." H. T. Zala will tell a Christmas story and Rev. H. Knox will deliver a Christmas message. The interior of the church will be specially decorated for this service.

The choir, under the leadership of Fred Parfitt with Miss W. Scowcroft at the organ and Mrs. G. H. E. Green at the piano, will render special anthems and carols at the evening service. Congregational singing will be a feature of the evening gathering.

To-morrow afternoon, at 2:30, the Shelbourne Street Hall Sunday school will hold an open session when Christmas messages will be given and Christmas music will be rendered. Mr. C. M. Cross, superintendent, will preside.

Emmanuel Sunday School Christmas

Bethlehem Babe Sermon Subject

Vital topics and hearty singing of old hymns will mark services at the Central Baptist Church to-morrow.

The pastor, Rev. J. B. Rowell, will speak at the morning service on "The Great Renunciation and the Pre-existence of Christ." The service will be followed by the Lord's Supper. In the evening the pastor's subject will be, "The Miracle of Bethlehem, or the Babe of Bethlehem and the Lord From Heaven."

There will be a special service on Christmas morning, Tuesday, at 11 o'clock. The pastor's subject will be, "The Paradoxical Christ . . . Let us now go . . . and see."

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St. Mary's Hold Choral Service To-morrow Night

At St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and matins and sermon at 11. The anthem will be "Hosanna in the Highest" (Stainer).

Evening services will be held at 7 o'clock. Besides the well-known carols, the following will be sung: "Sweetest Than Songs of Summer," solos, Master R. Gravelin and P. Diegle; "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day," "The Corpus Christi Carol," solo, by Mrs. P. Diegle; "Good King Wenceslas," and "Unto Us Is Born a Son."

The Sunday school will meet in St. Mary's Hall, senior classes at 9:45 and junior classes at 11.

On Christmas Day there will be celebration of Holy Communion at 8:45, 8 (choral), 9:30 and 12 (noon). Matins and sermon will be at 11, the anthem being "Angels From the Realms of Glory" (Mauder).

ANGLICAN

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ELGIN ROAD, OAK BAY. Holy Communion 8 a.m. Matins and sermon, 11 o'clock. Evening, carols, 7:30. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m. Junior classes, 11. Rector Rev. A. E. del. Nunna.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, HOLY CROSS. 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a.m. Preacher, the Dean. Evening and sermon, 7:30 o'clock. Preacher, Chas. E. W. Carter. Christmas carols, 7:30. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m. Junior, 11 a.m. Children, 11:30 a.m. The Very Rev. C. S. Quinlan, D.D., Dean and Rector.

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GREATEST EVENT IN ALL HISTORY

Theme of Christmas Sermon at Douglas Street Baptist Church

Appropriate Christmas addresses will be given in the Douglas Street Baptist Church on Sunday next. In the morning Mr. McKinnon will preach on the theme "The Greatest Event in all History." In the evening the subject will be "The Spirit of Christmas." Special Christmas music will be rendered at both services.

In the morning Mrs. McKague and Mrs. Maycock will sing "I Stand All Amazed." In the evening Mrs. McKague will render "The Star of Bethlehem."

An open session of the Sunday school will be held in the church auditorium at 3 o'clock, when a Christmas programme will be given by the children. Mr. McKinnon will tell the story of the "Little fir-tree that found something to do." All parents are invited to the service.

GASOLINE FROM SHALE

Pressure-cracking tests on Canadian shale oil and on bitumen from bituminous sands show that these raw materials are important reserve sources of motor fuel. Gasoline yields of eighteen to twenty imperial gallons per ton of shale retorted, and about forty per cent by volume of the dehydrated bitumen are reported. Other products from these oil and bitumen raw materials are appreciable quantities of good value coke and undensified gas of high calorific value. The quality of the gasoline from the

First Baptist Church

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SUNDAY NIGHT LECTURE

7:30 p.m. ST. DAVID'S HALL 1414 Douglas Street

Subject: "Christmas"

Pastor N. C. Erntson will answer the following questions: "Was Jesus Born Dec. 25?" "How Did Christmas Originate?" "The Best Thing About Christmas, What Is It?"

MRS. GEORGE N. MOWAT Soloist

You are invited. Admission free

Associated Bible Students Playhouse Theatre

Sunday, 2:30, Bible Study 7:30, Public Lecture

"Emmanuel"

All Welcome No Collection

Elbethel Gospel Assembly

Courtesy Street, Near Douglas Street

Services for the week beginning Sunday, December 23

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class, 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship—11 o'clock

Evening Worship—7:30 o'clock

Special Service on Christmas Morning at 10:30 o'clock

Carol Singing and Christmas Singing at This Service

Prayer Meeting Wednesday at 2:30 p.m.

Service Friday at 8 o'clock

"Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people" (Luke 2:10)

We invite you to come and worship the Lord with us

COME!—COME!—COME!

CITY TEMPLE

CLEM DAVIES, Minister

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

11 a.m.

"Christ's Gifts to Us"

7:30

"The Good Tidings"

Christmas music by the full choir singing in anthems, quartettes, trios and solos at both services.

Direction Lucy Bowdard, Mus. Bsc., M.S.M.

WHERE RELIGION CHEERS

NEW THOUGHT TEMPLE

935 PANDORA AVENUE

EVALYN DAVIS

Will Speak at Both Services

11 a.m.—"THE BIRTH OF THE GREAT MASTER AND THE NEW AGE"

7:30 p.m.—"THE ANGELIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE BIRTH OF THE CHRIST"

Solo by Leta Heslin Cody

Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Health Lecture

ALL ARE WELCOME

New Year's Eve Dance in Sons of Canada Hall. Special Music.

THE TABERNACLE

CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Yates Street

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Morning, 11 o'clock—"EMMANUEL, GOD WITH US"

Afternoon, 3 o'clock—White Gift Service

Evening, 7:30 o'clock—"GENTLE YET IS BORN A SAVIOUR"

Special Singing at All the Services

REV. DANIEL WALKER, Pastor

A Hearty Welcome for All

UNITY CENTRE

PRACTICAL CHRISTIANITY

11 a.m.—Speaker, MR. HAROLD PRATT; Subject, "THE NEW BIRTH"

7:30 p.m.—Speaker, MRS. GORDON GRANT; Subject, "CHRIST IN YOU"

Sunday School, 11 a.m., Superintendent, Victor Crawford

Thursday, 8 p.m.—STUDY CLASS

Friday Evening—A VISIT FROM SANTA CLAUS

CHRISTADELPHIAN

Orange Hall, Courtyard Street

Morning Service, 11 o'clock

Evening Lecture, 7:30 o'clock, Subject "THE SONG OF THE ANGELS"

You Are Welcome

VICTORIA HALL

1415 BLANCHARD STREET

MR. GEO. T. PINCHES

Will D.V. Preach the Gospel Lord's Day, December 23

YOU ARE INVITED TO COME—NO COLLECTION

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"That they all may be one"

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President, W. C. FIFE

SUNDAY SERVICES

11 a.m.—REV. DR. WILSON WILL PREACH

7:30 p.m.—CHRISTMAS SONG SERVICE

SUNDAY SCHOOL

3 p.m.—WHITE GIFTS SERVICE

Everybody Welcome

MORNING

Evening

Anthem—"See Amid the Winter's Snow"

Quartet—"Christians, the Morn'"

Mrs. W. Wright, Mrs. Allan Millhouse, Messrs. B. and W. C. Fife

Anthem—"Cherubim Song"

Anthem—"Angels"

Solo—"Noel"

Anthem—"There Were Shepherds"</

NAZARENES TO HOLD REVIVAL

Rev. D. R. Pierce of Tacoma to Conduct Week of Special Services

Rev. D. R. Pierce will be the evangelist at a week of special revival services at the Church of the Nazarenes, 1213 Balmoral Road, commencing Friday evening, December 28.

Mr. Pierce was here in a tent campaign during the Summer of 1921, which brought more than a hundred converts. He is now pastor of the First Church of the Nazarenes at Tacoma, Wash., and is an evangelist of note.

Mr. Pierce has been a religious writer for many years. His poems and prose articles have appeared in many of the leading religious papers of the country, and he has served on the Vancouver Daily Province as Religious Editor.

As an evangelist he is energetic and has a pleasing personality and style of delivery.

FIRST CHURCH WILL RENDER SONG SERVICE

Rev. Dr. Wilson Will Preach on "Something Good" at Morning Service

First United has a specially interesting program for its members at the morning service Dr. Wilson will preach on "Something Good for Every Day." This is but up-to-date subject with a reinterpretation of the divine amidst the human.

At three o'clock a white gift service will be held, and will offer a fine exhibition of beauty and joyous service, and provide an exchange between givers and receivers of Christmas good cheer. Children will bring white gifts to be distributed for and near, to make the season happier for others.

The evening service at 7:30 will be given over almost wholly to song. This Christmas song service has become a feature at First United Church, the choir rendering specially fine music.

Pentecostal Assembly Has New Pastor

At the Pentecostal Assembly tomorrow Pastor James Purse will conduct the services at the auditorium on Broad Street, giving suitable messages at 11 a.m., 3 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. Special music will be given for the Christmas season.

The new pastor invites the co-operation of the Full Gospel Saints.

HOLY CHILD IS THEME OF

REV. H. NIXON

Fairfield United Church to Hear Choral Services Tomorrow

Special music has been prepared for Christmas services at Fairfield United Church tomorrow. In the morning L. Abbott will sing "Comfort Ye" (Messiah) and Madame Clauzet will sing "O Thou That Tellest" (Messiah). The anthem will be "There Were Shepherds" (Clare), with Miss Platt as soprano soloist.

In the evening Mr. F. Rowley will sing "The People That Walked in Darkness" (Messiah), and Mrs. W. H. Hunt will render "Come Unto Him" (Messiah) as a soprano solo. The choir will sing the chorus "Night of Nights" (Vanderwater).

The pastor, Rev. Hugh Nixon, will take for his subject in the morning "The Holy Child," and in the evening he will preach on "God's Christmas."

At 2:30 p.m. a white gift service will be held in the church auditorium, to which all members of the Sunday school and congregation are cordially invited.

Elbethel to Hold Service Christmas Day

A special service will be held at Elbethel at 10:30 o'clock Christmas morning, in the Church Hall, Courtney Street, near Douglas Street.

The pastor, Miss Katherine E. Sack, will preach.

There will be carol singing and special Christmas music.

"Naming God's Son" Will Be Sermon Theme

Services at Victoria West United Church tomorrow will be in keeping with the Christmas season. Rev. H. J. Armistead will deliver two special messages. At the morning service the subject will be "Naming God's Son." The junior choir will render the anthem, "The Angel's Song," and Miss Dorothy Burgess will be the soloist.

At the evening service the subject of the sermon will be "All Men Shall Be Blessed in Him." The anthems will be, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks," by Smart, and "Glory to God," by Ashford. The people of Victoria West are cordially invited to join in these Christmas services.

KNOX CHURCH O'HEAR MANY FINE ANTHEMS

Rev. T. H. Davies Will Preach at Morning Service on "Bethlehem Mystery"

Special Christmas services will be held to-morrow at Knox Presbyterian Church, corner Gladstone and Stanley Avenues. The pastor, Rev. T. H. Davies, M.A., will preach at 11 a.m. on "The Mystery of Bethlehem" (Luke 1:16).

A Christmas song service will be held at 7:30 p.m., and the program will include the following renditions: Anthem: "In The Fields With Thee" (Procks Abiding) (Bracket); anthem: "Behold a Virgin Shall Conceive" (Smith); solo: "Christmas Song" (Adrian); Mr. G. Palmer; anthem: "Holy Night" (Gruber); anthem: "O Zion That Bringest Good Tidings" (Stainer); solo: "Nazareth" (Gounod); Mr. J. Townsend; anthem: "Shepherds of Bethlehem" (Judson).

With each station of the network technically equipped to originate a program, outstanding talent from all cities on the Pacific Coast will appear as featured artists on future programs. Some of the artists and musical organizations which will be heard include Vic Meyer's and his popular recording orchestra, as well as Mark Hopkins' orchestra, which will play from San Francisco and Burnett's orchestra, which will play from the San Francisco studios under the direction of Liborius Hauptmann.

In addition, the network will hold prominent places on the new network programs are Francisco Longo's American Salon Orchestra playing from Seattle; the American Symphony Orchestra which will play from the San Francisco studios under the direction of Liborius Hauptmann.

Concert light opera and musical comedies will be presented by a large staff of vocalists and instrumentalists who are now preparing Lehár's most popular light opera, "The Merry Widow," which will be the first of the series to be presented over the new network.

A large number of selected vocalists and novelty groups as well as a selected dramatic staff, will also appear before the microphones.

In addition to the coast broadcasts, the ABC Network is associated with the Columbia Broadcasting System in bringing nationwide broadcasts to the Pacific Coast through New York City. Two of these are now being released regularly each week, with an additional number being planned for

Army Band Will Play Christmas Airs at Citadel

To-morrow's meetings at the Salvation Army Citadel, Broad Street, will be for the subject, "Unto You Is Born." All of these meetings are public and a cordial invitation is extended to visitors and residents to attend.

The Christmas service at the Citadel will play Christmas music in the business district, and on Christmas morning go over the route usually taken by the St. Joseph's and Jubilee Hospitals.

Rev. W. Barton Will Preach At St. Albans

Rev. William Barton will occupy the pulpit at St. Albans Church, Oaklands, to-morrow, for the first time since his recent illness.

The service will be conducted by the minister, Rev. J. W. Leighton.

A special Christmas Eve will be read and Christmas hymns will be sung.

COMMUNION HOUR CHANGED

The hour for Holy Communion has been changed to 9 o'clock, except on the first Sunday in the month, when it remains at 8 o'clock, with a second celebration at 11 o'clock.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on Christmas morning at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. and 11 o'clock. Mr. D. Swan will officiate at the 8 a.m. service, and Miss Gregory-Allyn will play at 9:15 o'clock.

There will be a short service at 10:30 o'clock, primarily for children, adults being welcomed.

The Ladies' Guild has provided new heating equipment and the church is now well warmed.

Colwood

The badminton match Wednesday night in Colwood Hall, between the Y.M.C.A. Club of Victoria and the Belmont Club, resulted in a win for the latter team, the score being 12-6.

In the scores mentioned below the visitors' names appear first:

Miss Campbell and Mr. Proctor versus Mrs. Bayles and Mr. Spinks, 7-15.

Miss Swayne and Mr. Turner, 1-10.

Miss Hammond and Mr. Burton versus Mrs. Sparks and Mr. Cooney, 15-12.

Miss Campbell and Mr. Harper versus Miss Simpson and Mr. Cooney, 15-2.

Miss Campbell and Mr. Harper versus Miss Simpson and Mr. Cooney, 15-2.

Miss Warnock and Mr. Proctor versus Mrs. Bayles and Mr. Spinks, 15-18.

Miss Swayne and Mr. Turner, 15-18.

Miss Campbell and Mr. Lequesne, 9-15.

Miss Campbell and Mr. Proctor versus Mr. and Mrs. Sparks, 12-15.

Miss Warnock and Mr. Proctor versus Mrs. Bayles and Mr. Spinks, 15-7.

Miss Campbell and Mr. Lamb versus Mr. and Mrs. Lequesne, 2-15.

LADIES' DOUBLES

Miss Campbell and Miss Warnock versus Mrs. Bayles and Miss Simpson, 12-15.

Miss Campbell and Miss Warnock versus Mrs. Lequesne and Mrs. Bayles, 8-15.

Miss Hammond and Miss Swayne versus Mrs. Cooney and Mrs. Bayles, 3-15.

Miss Warnock and Miss Hammond versus Mrs. Sparks and Mrs. Cooney, 15-12.

NEWS DOUBLES

Mr. Proctor and Mr. Lamb versus Mr. Turner and Mr. Lequesne, 15-18.

Mr. Burton and Mr. Bayles, 15-3.

Mr. Proctor and Mr. Lamb versus Mr. Turner and Mr. Lequesne, 8-15.

Mr. Proctor and Mr. Lamb versus Mr. Sparks and Mr. Bayles, 15-13.

Mr. Proctor and Mr. Lamb versus Mr. Cooney and Mr. Bayles, 15-12.

In Christmas week the Monday evening players of the Belmont Badminton Club will play on Thursday evening, and the Tuesday players on Wednesday, December 26.

Mrs. Longworth and Mr. E. Parker were the winners at the Wednesday night card party, arranged by the Colwood Hall committee. During the holiday season it has been decided no card party will be held during Christmas and New Year's week.

Friend—How did you come to marry your employer? My dear, I couldn't stand his dictatorial manner any longer.

Latest Radio News and Broadcasts

ABC WILL OFFER BIG PROGRAMME

Four-hour Daily Broadcasts to Come Over Network Commencing Monday

A mammoth expansion programme by the American Broadcasting Company goes into effect on December 24. Four hours of widely varied programming will be released over the entire coast through stations of the ABC network, is the announcement coming from Adolph P. Lindon, president of the company. Stations which will release these broadcasts are KJR, Seattle; KEX, Portland; KGO, Spokane; KYA, San Francisco and KMTX, Los Angeles.

With each station of the network technically equipped to originate a program, outstanding talent from all cities on the Pacific Coast will appear as featured artists on future programs. Some of the artists and musical organizations which will be heard include Vic Meyer's and his popular recording orchestra, as well as Mark Hopkins' orchestra, which will play from San Francisco and Burnett's orchestra, which will play from the San Francisco studios under the direction of Liborius Hauptmann.

In addition, the network will hold prominent places on the new network programs are Francisco Longo's American Salon Orchestra playing from Seattle; the American Symphony Orchestra which will play from the San Francisco studios under the direction of Liborius Hauptmann.

Concert light opera and musical comedies will be presented by a large staff of vocalists and instrumentalists who are now preparing Lehár's most popular light opera, "The Merry Widow," which will be the first of the series to be presented over the new network.

A large number of selected vocalists and novelty groups as well as a selected dramatic staff, will also appear before the microphones.

In addition to the coast broadcasts, the ABC Network is associated with the Columbia Broadcasting System in bringing nationwide broadcasts to the Pacific Coast through New York City. Two of these are now being released regularly each week, with an additional number being planned for

PEERLESS REPRODUCERS

With Elgar's stately "Pomp and Circumstance" as their initial selection, the Peerless Reproducers will entertain the radio audience with their weekly half-hour of harmony when they broadcast through stations of the NBC System from 1:30 to 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. In the famous Elgar composition the brass section of the orchestra will be heard to special advantage.

Contrasting with the stirring march themes of "Pomp and Circumstance," a special selection of Debussy's exquisite number, "Clair de Lune," will be the second offering.

Harry Stanton, bass, will sing Brown's version of the interesting negro spiritual, "Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho," during the programme.

Flute and clarinet will be featured in another which the Peerless Reproducers play.

This programme will be broadcast through stations KJQ, Spokane; KGO, Seattle; KGW, Portland; KGO, Oakland; KFO, San Francisco and KFI, Los Angeles.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT

Paraphrased by Harris, "Adele Fideles" will open the Sunday afternoon Concert broadcast through NBC System stations this afternoon from 3 to 4:30 o'clock. Led by Max Dolin, the National Concert Orchestra will play this internationally beloved Christmas hymn as their first contribution to the programme to the holiday spirit.

The orchestra will also offer further Christmas music in the Polonaise from Rimsky-Korsakov's delightful "Christmas Eve Suite."

Margaret Des, contralto, is to be the only vocalist on the programme. Her numbers include Schubert's great song "Death and the Maiden," and Handel's "O Sleep, Why Dost Thou Leave Me?" which ranks among the finest of all his airs.

A vibrante and string ensemble will be heard in the selection to be announced during the concert.

Familiar Scotch songs, including "Annie Laurie" and "Auld Lang Syne," are grouped together in an orchestral number.

This Sunday afternoon concert will be broadcast through stations KJQ, Spokane; KGO, Seattle; KGW, Portland; KGO, Oakland; KFO, San Francisco and KFI, Los Angeles.

BIBLICAL DRAMAS

The First Gift, a radio dramatic based upon an episode occurring during the first Christmas in Bethlehem, 2,000 years ago, will be the Biblical drama feature broadcast through NBC System stations from 4:30 to 5 o'clock this afternoon.

William Ford Manley, who prepared the dramatic, has taken for the central characters the owner of the inn at Bethlehem and his wife. He presents them at the opening of the play on the night Joseph and Mary were refused shelter in the crowded inn, being offered a barn in place of a room. Joseph and Mary themselves do not appear in the cast.

Incidents during that night and on the following morning will be revealed in "The First Gift." The drama is enacted by National Players.

Stations through which this Biblical Drama will be broadcast are KJQ, Spokane; KGO, Seattle; KGW, Portland; KGO, Oakland; KFO, San Francisco, and KFI, Los Angeles.

LIGHT PROGRAMME

Three refreshing light numbers will be presented during the broadcast of the Dunn and McCarthy programme through NBC System stations to-morrow evening in the fifteen minutes beginning at 7:15 o'clock.

The mixed quartette, accompanied by an instrumental ensemble, will offer "The Bells of Mary," by Adam. Stellar highlights of the operatic, concert, vaudeville, theatrical and motion picture fields are being gathered for this broadcast and it is expected that a long list of exceptional talent will be announced in the near future.

A special chain of stations extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast, and from the Canadian line to

SUGGESTED RADIO GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

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GOOD NIGHT

DEVICE THAT SHUTS RADIO OFF AND SAYS "GOOD NIGHT" AT 11 P.M. (FOR WEAK-WILLED FANS)

IN THE AIR

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22

CFCT (475-5) Victoria, B.C. 6 p.m.—The closing market prices from the B.C. Bond Corporation, Ltd.

4:30 p.m.—The Sunset, Seattle, dance orchestra of the Sunset Broadcaster, official weather report, West Coast information, correct time signal by W. H. Philerson, KJQ.

3:30 p.m.—Half an hour of dance music from the Empress Grill.

11 a.m.—Second hour programme from the Spanish Grill of the Empress.

National Broadcasters' Programme (Transcontinental)

6 p.m.—Lucky Strike hour (Transcontinental).

5:30 p.m.—The Carnival.

5 p.m.—Time signal.

4:30 p.m.—NBC dance music programme.

4:15 p.m.—NBC dance music programme.

4:00 p.m.—Mission programme.

3:45 p.m.—Concert orchestra.

3:30 p.m.—Colony Revue hour.

3:15 p.m.—Philips hour, NBC.

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DEEP SEA, COASTWISE SHIPPING, AND RAILROAD NEWS

MAINLAND FIRM TO DO REPAIRS ON HAMPHOLM

Contract Awarded to Burrard Drydock Company For Sum of \$21,000

No Notification Yet of Marine Inquiry Into Recent Collision

Vancouver, Dec. 22.—The Burrard Drydock Company, of North Vancouver, has been awarded the contract for repairing the Norwegian freighter *Hampholm*, which was damaged on Thursday in collision with the *Princess Adelaide* five miles west of Prospect Point. The contract total is \$21,000, and the time limit for completion is sixteen days.

Temporary repairs have been made by the Burrard Company to the *Princess Adelaide*, and she will proceed to Yarrow's Limited, Esquimalt, for permanent repairs, which will cost \$38,750, to be completed within one month.

No notification of a marine inquiry into the collision has yet been announced, but it is expected that one will be held in the near future.

HEAVY CLAIM

Service of a writ in which the Canadian Pacific Railway Company claims \$30,000 for damage to its steamship *Princess Adelaide*, was accepted on behalf of the defendant steamship *Hampholm* by the latter's solicitors, Messrs. Griffin, Montgomery and Smith, on Friday.

The writ, which was issued out of Admiralty Court by J. E. McMillen, C.P.R. solicitor, followed that of Fred Olsen & Company, Norwegian owners of the *Hampholm*, claiming \$30,000 damages. Both defendants have arranged for bail, thus obviating the necessity of placing the injured ship under arrest.

BOULDER DAM SCHEME

Washington, Dec. 22.—President Coolidge yesterday signed the Boulder Dam bill, making effective the measures providing for the big reclamation, flood control and power project on the Colorado River. The act stipulates the government shall supply the \$153,000,000 estimated as necessary to construct a dam and accompanying works in Black Canyon. The money is to be repaid under an amortization plan from the proceeds of the sale of power.

Famous Recipe For Stopping a Severe Cough

You'll be pleasantly surprised when you make up this simple home mixture and try it for a distressing cough or chest cold. It takes but a moment to mix and costs little, but it can be depended upon to give quick and lasting relief.

Get 2½ ounces of Pinex from any drugist. Pour this into a 16 oz. bottle; then fill it with plain granulated sugar syrup or strained honey. The 16 ounces thus made costs no more than a small bottle of retail-made medicine, yet it is much more effective. It is pure, keeps perfectly and children love its pleasant taste.

This simple remedy has a remarkable three-fold action. It goes right to the seat of trouble, soothes away the inflammation, and loosens the germinant phlegm. At the same time, it is absorbed into the blood, where it acts directly upon the bronchial tubes and thus helps inwardly to throw off the whole trouble with surprising ease.

Pinex is a highly concentrated compound of genuine Norway Pine, containing the active agent of creosote, in a refined, palatable form, and known as one of the greatest healing agents for severe coughs, chest colds and bronchial troubles.

Do not accept a substitute for Pinex. It is guaranteed to give prompt relief or money refunded.

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Otherwise the market was quiet with offerings light. The cash market was very dull, terminals taking the few odd cars that were coming out. Export business has been rather slow the past week, which is perhaps only natural considering the holiday season. Shipments from the southern hemisphere are expected to be heavy during the coming few weeks and foreign buyers are looking forward to plenty of selling competition during this period.

The news from Russia is decidedly bullish and the indications are that Russia will be forced to come into these markets before long and purchase large quantities of bread grains. Statistics appear very bearish with surplus countries having large supplies, but on the other hand it is not known what the demand will be, but undoubtedly it will be very large.

This market will not reopen until Wednesday morning next.

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SIDE GLANCES — By George Clark



"This sort of makes me wish I knew somebody to give presents to."

AUNT HET

By ROBERT OULLEN



"I knew I'd have plenty o' company. The club met to-day an' they all pay their calls while they're dressed up for it."

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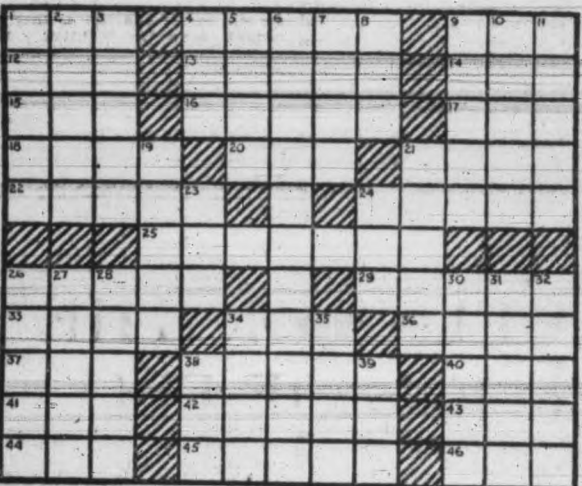
By CLAUDE CAILLAN



"I got awful tired at church Sunday, but Ma was plannin' a new dress an' didn't notice the long sermon."

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE



- HORIZONTAL**
- To skip.
 - Fronts.
 - Fluid in a tree.
 - Wine part of a seed.
 - Fragrant smell.
 - Female sheep.
 - Baking dish.
 - Elly.
 - Rodent.
 - Always.
 - Fit.
 - Certain.
 - To devour.
 - Gentler.
 - Concert by one person.
 - Grammatical mark.
 - Port.
 - To affirm.
 - Headless.
 - Finished.
 - Energy.
 - Bandmaster's stick.
 - Pastry.
 - Em.
 - Blot.
 - Wand.
 - Eye tumor.
 - Valuable property.
 - Bone.
- VERTICAL**
- Abhorred.
 - Small green fruit of the olea family.
 - Compartment of an electric switch-board.
 - Bust.
 - Melody.
 - Combines intricately.
 - To elect.
 - Dejected.
 - Ankles.
 - Conscious.
 - To become exhausted.
 - More uncommon.

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Motion of Yesterday's Puzzle

Monday's Horoscope

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1928
Conflicting aspects are seen in to-day's horoscope, according to astrology, and the

morning is the most auspicious time for any sort of important accomplishment. Women again have the friendly stars on their side and they should find the day most favorable to domestic preparations, last minute shopping and social affairs. There is a first rate way for weddings and marriages to-day should be attended by prosperity.

There is a benefic aspect that promises aid to those who are engaged in any sort of philanthropic or charitable work. Under this planetary government those who forget self in their solicitude for others are believed to benefit greatly. There is a sign read as helpful to those who engage in occult studies or religious observances. In the business world the early morning

hours are best to-day and should be employed in constructive plans or routine work. While this rule prevails there may be a tendency to exaggerate and even to deceive. It is not a good time to buy real estate or to speculate. There is a good sign for intellectual or artistic interests. Much mental activity is

encouraged, while this configuration prevails. The rule is conducive to tender memories and high resolutions which bring members of families into closer sympathy. Caution is given to those who deal in oil or other liquids under this rule of the stars which is inimical to success. Persons whose birthdate it is have the

auspice of success in financial affairs in the coming year. Children born on this date probably will have a distinct talent for constructive work. These subjects of Capricorn often coming practical ideas with artistic instincts. They generally make a success of life. (Copyright, 1928)

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DINNER

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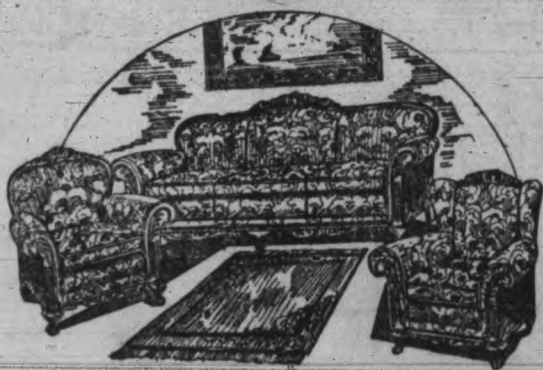
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wood, but was staged before the motion picture camera as a sequence of Menjou's new Paramount picture, "His Private Life," now at the Capitol Theatre. Kathryn Carver, whom the star married in Paris, is his leading woman in the production.

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Victoria Daily Times

Christmas Magazine Section

December 22, 1928



The ... Christmas Spirit

CANADIANS have the reputation, among other nations, of working harder and more seriously than any other people on earth. Indeed, it often is said that we do not play enough for our own good. We attend to business too closely, take our jobs too seriously, say Europeans and Southern Americans.

Would you speak with the stern judge on Christmas morning, who is so portentous and awesome on ordinary days?—He, peradventure, will be helping one of his grandchildren assemble a model aeroplane—and, by the same token, getting twice as much kick out of the proceedings as the grandson.

In other words, we have, to-day, declared a moratorium on workaday seriousness and dignity. We have ceased to pretend that we are important grown-ups, filling positions of responsibility and trust, and have lapsed back into the state we enjoy most—that of carefree, boyish irresponsibility.

And perhaps that is a pretty good thing for us, once in a while.

But let's learn, if we can, to carry some of this Christmas spirit over into our leisure hours at other seasons. When the day's work is over, it would be good for us if we could shelve our seriousness and our intentness, and relax into something approaching the mood of Christmas morning. It would be fine for all of us if we could wear the purposive earnestness of working hours like a garment, to be dropped when working hours are over. We need to get down on our knees and play with trains oftener, to romp with children.

Long live the Christmas spirit!



Christmas In Canada's Northland

WHILE the more recent inventions of man serve to mitigate the loneliness of the great empty spaces which comprise Canada's great Northland, those white guardians of civilization of the fringe of the Arctic have to depend upon their own resources to a great extent to mark the Christmas festival. Radio, it is true, brings them in touch with the services in church and chapel that mark the spiritual side of our great annual festival, but most of the merry-making is of necessity conducted on a far less elaborate scale than is possible in the old home town where there is no limit to the facilities and resources of recherche viands and wines.

Improved transportation methods, the advent of the aeroplane and the construction of the Hudson Bay Railway will serve in a few more years to diminish the great distances and bring those who labor in these outposts of Empire in closer touch; but the effect of this will be an inevitable lessening in the picturesqueness of the situation which the present remoteness conjures up in the minds of the stay-at-homes.

To get a glimpse of what Christmas was like way up North in the good old days, when the trip in and out took the best part of a year, it is necessary to examine some of the chronicles of the old fur traders.

In the records of some of the Hudson's Bay Company factors are some interesting accounts of how the festivities were carried out. White man, Indian or half-breed all participated alike in the merriment. The dance and the dinner appear to have been, as no doubt they are to-day, the principal events in the day's programme. Of course, from the nightly listening-in, which is the high light in the proceedings of every day.

Here, for instance, is what Christmas at Fort Edmonton was like in 1846, as described by Paul Kane: "Perhaps it might be interesting to some dyspeptic idler who painfully strolls through a city park to coax an appetite to a sufficient intemperance to enable him to pick an octopus. If I were to describe to him the fare set before us to appease appetites nourished by constant outdoor exercise in an atmosphere ranging at 40 to 50 degrees below zero.

At the head of the table was a large dish of buffalo hump, at the foot smoked a boiled buffalo calf. Start not, gentle reader, the calf is very

small and is taken from the cow by Caesarean operation long before it attains its full growth. This, boiled whole, is one of the most esteemed dishes among the epicures of the interior. My pleasing duty was to help dish out moulton or dried moose nose with graceful impartiality, the white fish, delicately browned in buffalo marrow. The worthy priest helped the buffalo tongue while another genial member of the party cut up the beavers' tails. The centre of the table was graced with piles of potatoes, turnips and bread conveniently placed, so that each could help himself without interrupting the labors of his companions. Such was our jolly Christmas dinner at Edmonton; and long will it remain in our memory, although no pies or puddings or blanc-manges shed their fragrance over the scene."

The same writer gives this description of the dance that follows that auspicious meal: "In the evening the hall was prepared for the dance to which Mr. Harris had invited all the inmates of the fort, and was early filled by gaily dressed guests. Indians, whose chief ornament consisted in the paint on their faces, voyageurs with bright sashes and neatly ornamented moccasins, half-breeds glittering in every ornament they could lay their hands on; whether civilized or savage, all were laughing in as many different languages as there were styles of dress. English, however, was little used, as none could speak it but those who sat at the dinner table. The dancing was most picturesque and almost all joined in it. Occasionally I, among the rest, led out a young Cree squaw—who sported enough beads round her neck to have made a pedlar's fortune, and having led her into the centre of the room I danced round her with all the agility I was capable of exhibiting to some Highland reel tune which the fiddler played with great vigour, whilst my partner, with grave face, kept jumping up and down, both feet off the ground at once, as only an Indian can dance."

Probably since that time the scenes described have moved rather north for anyone who looked for such in this thriving metropolis of Alberta to-day would meet disappointment. That is, if his taste ran to Indian maidens. Civilization has moved into the northernmost hinterland and is stretching further towards the Arctic Circle every year.

Real Christmas—and Its Mysteries

By T. R. GLOVER

CHRISTMAS DAY! Carol singers, Christmas trees and cards and presents (including paper and string and general untidiness), rather too much to eat and perhaps, and many grown-up people are glad it is over. For many of us "don't drink" and a good few of us when it comes to eating realize with amused surprise that the opportunities which we would have coveted as boys are rather a bore now and that even one helping is rather too much. And the fuss and the confusion of it. No, you say to me, you are losing the real thing in the small detail of the next holidays you will be giving up your trip abroad because you dislike the railway journey and the customs people. Still, let us try to get at the real thing.

The children like it. Think of the weeks of planning, the some of them give to it—saving, contriving, ingeniously extracting the extra dime from you in October, sewing this and that little thing, painting all those cards—and then as soon as school is over all the anxious and exciting shopping—and the mystery of the secret laid by only to be shared with one person because they are so important and only with her on the most impressive pledges of secrecy. I wonder if orphanages have Christmas and what is like in those well-intentioned barracks?

Can you have a drawer of your own in the dormitory or any mystery about your secrets there—or anybody in the "institution" that calls you all "waifs

and strays"—as if you were wreckage and lost dogs? No, Christmas, to be right means a home—not a home. I think we must keep Christmas even if it is only for the children; and you and I must repress our memories, or, at least, choose which of them we shall think about.

Stay though, says someone, isn't there some association of Christ with Christmas? Haven't it some connection with the Christmas religion? And here come in a gloomy pair of people. One of them, looking very learned, warns us that of course we must remember that the date for the celebration of Christ's birth is a conventional one; there is no historical warrant that it fell on December 25 any more than on June 25. Then the other man, looks sourly at him and says: "Tell me how do you accept the narratives in Matthew and Luke? How the birth of Jesus Christ was in this wise—was it?" The learned person starts to explain all about accretion of legends round significant personalities; and he cuts in again: "So you don't believe it after all; and you say nothing about the Virgin birth; and you have to face the chance that there never was any Christ at all." At that rate the more confusion there is with paper and presents and Christmas cards and turkey and so on the better. But I am not prepared to lower my flag so readily.

Jesus was born; if that is not true there is no history left nor (I think) any other kind of valid knowledge. You cut out the angels and in the very act of doing it you let in the

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The First Christmas



And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

This is a reproduction of the famous painting, "Holy Night," by Correggio.

The Gentle Art of Buying Gifts

By A Husband

WIFE: What on earth can I get for Aunt Maria?
Husband: A Spanish shawl!
Wife: I do wish you'd help me.

Husband: I am trying. Dear, could you twist the string of this parcel round my thumb? I can't move my hand and I'm afraid that Joan's step-ins may fall out on the floor. Thank you—about Aunt Maria?

Wife: Do you think she'd like a foot warmer for the car?

Husband: The art of buying presents is the knack of shooting something into another's life. A foot warmer is obvious. It might have been ordered over the telephone. It will not thrill a foot warmer cannot thrill! It is as absurd as receiving a nasal syringe or an abdominal belt. There are some things one buys oneself. Now a bangle cap or one of these shingle sets with a dear little mirror and a dear little brush.

Wife: How tiresome you are! You are no help at all. When you get tired you try to be funny.

Husband: I do not feel a bit funny! I may look funny but... I wonder if you could close this top parcel. Mary's knickknacks are falling out. Thank you. The best presents

appeal to one's vanity. Now a lipstick or even a pair of spectacles...
Wife: How ridiculous you are!
Husband: Or better still a green nightdress. Look, we are encompassed by green nightdresses, they hang in the air, they drape the admirable figures of wax women, they lie around us in soft green piles! Let us buy

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Bethlehem

White as an altar hewn upon a hill
And hoar with age, yet gently touched by Time.
There stands within Judaea, lovely still,
Amid the clusters of the fig and lime
The hallowed shrine that still can move and thrill
The soul of unbelief and shake the will.

Around the holy place the throngs of earth
Assemble to adore, to venerate
A day which dawned in splendour for the birth
Of One divine! while angels opened the gate
Of Love in life, and, with white peace begrim,
Gave to the world a song of hope and mirth.

G. Vesian Pic.

Is Christmas Fare Right Or Wrong?

By Sir Arbuthnot Lane, Bart., C.B.

THE approach of another season marked by feasting and general indulgence in epicurean delights specially designed to utilize the human palate brings with it the inevitable budget of "Don'ts" by various sorts of dietary specialists. The cheery advice of the family doctor to the question posed in the title of this article will probably take the form of a warning against excess, but otherwise will not hamper anyone in ordinary health.

To the young the capacity to swallow solely influences their ideal as to whether the diet provided for them is right or wrong. Parents regard the excesses of Christmas fare very lightly, being convinced that if food is good and free from any deleterious matter any disagreeable consequences which may arise can be safely met by a dose of castor oil. To those who have passed the meridian of life the meat is approached in a varied spirit. That section which is still vigorous, robust and greedy, feeling that a moderate immoderation is the secret of happiness now sets itself to enjoy in a reckless manner all the good things provided for its delectation. On the other hand, those who realize that their internal economy has long suffered from unsuitable food and that it naturally resents any excessive strain on its impaired machinery, are reasonably careful in the choice of such portions of the meal as they know by experience are likely to be digested easily.

On the whole, while many carp at over indulgence in rich food at this festive period, its composition is usually excellent and harmless. Roast or boiled turkey, with chestnut or veal stuffing and cranberry sauce served with boiled ham or tongue, is most tempting and its flavor promotes digestion and prevents that feeling of discomfort and distension that follows an unsuitable diet.

Again, the goose with its stuffing of sage and onions and a carefully prepared apple sauce is preferred by many, who rarely find that it disagrees with them. It certainly is most appetizing, an important factor in its digestion. Perhaps that part of the fare that appeals most to the old and young is the traditional Christmas pudding, and few there are who can resist some of this delicious and nutritive luxury. The flame that envelops it at first stimulates appetite and cheers the soul, while the brandy-soaked served with it is so good that even a teetotaler cannot have the courage to refuse it.

Mince pies, the preparation of which has called for endless skill and judgment, are very digestible and add to the tout-ensemble of the meal. A moderate amount of alcohol in the form most liked by the consumer helps largely in insuring the perfect digestion of the meal, and adds greatly to the general happiness of the party.

The old proverb "Christmas comes

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Yuletide and New Year Customs and Greetings in Other Lands

How They Spend Christmas Abroad

FRANCE

GOING to a party at midnight has still for old-fashioned people the slightly solemn effect of going to mass, and that is why possibly on a French Christmas Eve the midnight mass commonly precedes the Revelion. One emerges a little spectral and shivery from the dim interior of the Sacre Coeur or the Madeleine into the clear cold midnight air in which lights are stirring or vaguely seen and much-bemuffled other parties are moving, and a vague noise is heard as of fiddles warming up.

For Bohemia and its strange population of course, Christmas, like the fourteenth of July is pure velvet. It is a high spot of gaiety up to which one climbs by low and unsteady degrees and from which one descends by stages equally slow and beautifully less. For before the Day the three great caravansaries of the misnamed Latin Quarter, the some, the Rotonde and the Select at the junction of the Boulevard Raspail and Montparnasse, register a glowing incandescence.

Painters and models, writers and critics, interior decorators, jazz composers, playwrights and poets of all nationalities, colors and religions, abandon dull care and joyless work with one accord and prepare to have a good time.

Japanese and Arab, Shintoist, Moslem and Jew appear—in Montparnasse at least—have no objection to celebrating the religious feast of the Christians. In a quarter where all work is fitful and eccentric and done, if done at all, rather away from Montparnasse than within it, where the nights are given over to interminable conversations in the smoke-filled cafes or under the tree-spangled moon, every holiday is seized as an escape from reality. The feasts of the French therefore, and the feast of the Scandinavians, tremendous and bacchic, are celebrated with equal gusto as the saints' days of the Irish and the Independence Day of the Americans.

At midnight on Christmas Eve the Montparnassians will begin a frolic that will last into New Year and perhaps even the ghost of Modigliani, the wild and brilliant painter of Montparnasse, who died suddenly five years ago and is more mourned than any Paris Bohemian since the days of Murger, may for one night not haunt the scene of joy.

GERMANY

Just six weeks before Christmas the children in Germany, especially in the country districts, experience a genuine Yuletide. A big wreath of pine twigs is hung with red ribbon from the centre of the living-room ceiling. In the wreath are six red candles, the first of which is lit that same Sunday. It is truly a German characteristic to know just what each child takes a long time. The following Sunday the same candle is lit and also a fresh one, and so on, until the last Sunday before Christmas the remains of all six candles are burnt. The children love this little custom and are very happy when the candles begin to melt and their evening meal by the soft light of the candles.

On the eve of December 6 comes St. Nicholas and his coming is awaited with some dread as well as joy by the little folk, for each child must learn a poem or a piece of Latin to receive the old saint. St. Nicholas brings with him a small bunch of long thin oysters and with this he whips any child whose poetry is not properly learnt or whose behavior during the year has not been of the best, for St. Nicholas seems to know just what each child has been doing.

As soon as it is dark the excited children (staying up late for the occasion) have their belief in fairies and the little wonder folk intensified by every slight sound, real or imaginary, when the naughty children begin to wish "they hadn't," and the good child takes a last peep at his verse to make sure that he does not forget; then is heard the clanking of an iron chain, the tinkling of bells, and the klop klop of heavy wooden shoes, the house door is quickly thrown open and there stands St. Nicholas in his red cloak and hood and with a long white beard, his girdle an iron chain and a bulging sack upon his back.

He enters, the children repeat what they have learned and some recite a severe whipping from the staff saint. Then St. Nicholas tips his sackful of things on the floor. Immediately some children spring across to the pile, but St. Nicholas is still very nimble despite his age, and he lays his oysters across the backs and legs of these youngsters with such good effect that they very quickly return to their more patient companions. Then the saint gives out all the presents and goodies so dear to the children, but with many admonishments and instructions as to how they must behave until he comes again. Where the children are naughty St. Nicholas gives their mothers a bunch of oysters and as he departs tells her not to spare it.

The next morning, the children who the evening before were so deferential to St. Nicholas begin to eat his image, which is made of gingerbread. Whoever possible the sweet saint is made life-size in height and breadth and about two inches thick, and his clothes, face and beard are drawn with colored icing. After a few days St. Nicholas has disappeared.

ITALY

Italian youngsters must wait twelve days longer than their Canadian brothers for their Christmas presents. Just about the time when Canadian boys and girls are beginning to tire

of their new toys, sleepless nights are being spent in Italy in anticipation of the treasures with which expectantly prepared stockings will be filled. Christmas in the Anglo-Saxon sense of the word, with exchange of gifts, is not celebrated in Italy, in fact, till Epiphany, which comes in the first days of the New Year.

When the presents do make their belated and therefore doubly welcome appearance, their bearer is not a jolly, corpulent, ruddy-faced, white-whiskered gentleman, carrying a bulging sack slung over one shoulder, who surreptitiously glides down the kitchen chimney, but an ugly hag who comes sailing in at the window astride a broomstick. She is never seen by the children, who shiver in bed on the eve of Epiphany in mixed fear and anticipation.

Her name is Befana and she is the very same woman who on the day of the Nativity, in far-off Bethlehem, refused to go to the manger to see the Magi go by, because she was too busy sweeping her house. She was condemned to sweep for all eternity, with but one yearly respite, when she was permitted to bring joy to children by showering gifts upon them. Immediately afterwards this feminine Santa Claus returns to her sweeping, for another year. Foreign children living in Italy are told a different story. The Befana for them is the wife of Santa Claus. She does his work for him in southern climes as his sled and reindeer cannot cross the snowless ground and he cannot endure the warm temperature. Some children are fortunate enough to be received by both Santa Claus and his wife and to receive a double ration of presents.

ROMANIA

As Rumanians fast for six whole weeks before Christmas—an ordinance of their church—there is naturally much feasting when the festival does arrive. Pork and turkey are then their favorite dishes and especially do they love hot ham, which has been cooked in wine. Whether because the pigs have roamed the forests outside Bucharest and there fed entirely on acorns or because the pork is cooked with the black salt left on the ham is certainly delicious and deserves all the praise the Rumanian gourmets give it.

Holly one never sees in Bucharest. When first Queen Marie came to Bucharest as a bride she sought to have it cultivated in the park at Cotoceni but it did not flourish. Mistletoe, however, is plentiful and as it grows on pine trees one can sometimes buy mistletoe and Christmas tree all in one huge tub. Though the tree is always decorated in time for Christmas, it is not lighted up or the presents distributed until New Year's Eve. Then the ceremony takes place at midnight, when everybody drinks everybody else's health and success in champagne—if it can be afforded.

Skating is the Rumanian's chief outdoor amusement at Christmas and they are adepts at it. The fashionable rendezvous in Bucharest is the pond where the Cismigiu Gardens, where a band plays and a huge fire glows and it is the thing to refresh oneself with that national bonne-bouche-hot pancakes spread with caviar.

Among the Rumanian peasants in the villages dotted over like snowdrifts, the Christmas Eve is a festival in a different way. Parties perambulate singing carols and getting paid in cash and kind especially with a home-made cake made of alternate layers of dough and a mixture of chopped apples, currants and raisins. However, is going from door to door carrying a bucket covered with a tightly stretched sheep's bladder punctured with a few horse hairs, which when drawn to and fro through the sky make a noise like the bellowing of a bull.

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS

The best resolve for the coming New Year is to go to a smile a minute. A plump principal boy makes one understand the pant in pantomime.

Apparently there are still a number of quaint people about who look round for the mistletoe first of all.

It's still true that Christmas comes but once a year. But in these days it arrives in November for a six-weeks stay.

A favorite place to hang mistletoe is on the indoor aerial. Then if the apparatus oscillates, the revellers can oscillate.

This is the season of the year when one learns if one's distant relatives are any closer than they were last year.

The only way we know to make good resolutions last is to let the rest of the family make theirs first.

The trouble with the Spirit of Christmas these days is that most people get it from a gasoline pump.

What the Xmas X means to father: X represents Expense, Xperience, Xpeditious, Xtras, Xorribant, Xit.

Some cracker motifs are in verse and others are in prose. This one, you see, though very terse, is both and each of those.

Wife (whose mother has been visiting them for six months): "What shall I give mother for a Christmas present, dear?"

Fed-up Husband: "Suppose you give her a travelling bag!"

New Year Customs in Many Lands

NEW YEAR'S DAY the world over is celebrated with many quaint customs whose roots go back far into the past. In England this great annual festival is held at Christmas and New Year's Day save for the Scottish gathering about St. Paul's churchyard has lost its former uproarious character.

But before the sixteenth century New Year's Day was the great day in England as it is to-day in Scotland, France and Italy, where Christmas Day passes with little attention.

As a matter of fact the festival is a legacy from the days of the old Saturnalia. Thus when the early Fathers saw that what should be a religious occasion was celebrated with revelry and feasting—not to say drunkenness and gluttony—they admonished the people to discard the pagan rites for the quieter ways of sober Christians. St. Augustine Chrysostom, and the rest, however, seem to have had small authority, since in those Christian countries, such as Scotland, where the day is still a great occasion, there is little in the proceedings to suggest any help but that of old Bacchus.

The actual reckoning of the New Year's birth has varied considerably through the centuries. It has been celebrated at one time or another, at Christmas, March 25, Easter Day. In England it dates as from January 1 since the late sixteenth century.

Many ancient customs go back to pagan times. For example the old Scottish custom of practising until quite recent times, of dressing a villager in a hide and indulging in mummery, which included a beating of the houses and yards, and a blessing on each household as the door is opened, is pre-Christian in origin. Hogmanay has been gradually divested of its picturesque ritual and to-day it challenges in the cities of the north at least, comparison with the orgies of the Roman Saturnalia.

In many parts of the world one of the chief customs is the kindling of fire or the casting forth of devils and witches. In ancient Ireland for example, when New Year's Day fell upon November 1—All Saints' Day symbolic fires were kindled in every house and hut.

REAL CHRISTMAS—AND ITS MYSTERIES

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historians; and (to tell the truth) I am more at home with them. They all tell me that Jesus really was born; and I have other evidence—I have known people whom He remade. The young American when the committee of fire or the casting forth of devils and witches. In ancient Ireland for example, when New Year's Day fell upon November 1—All Saints' Day symbolic fires were kindled in every house and hut.

But the Virgin birth? Let us get down to facts and experience here. People believe in the Virgin birth on the main fact—the fact of Christ. The Virgin birth is the chief of these (the only real one in the long run) is that they believe in Jesus Christ. They do not believe in Christ because of the Virgin birth; apart from Him nobody would have given it a thought. So we will concentrate this Christmas on the main fact—the fact of Christ.

But why Christmas Day, why December 25, when you are not sure of the day? My Scottish ancestors did not keep the day at all and I am not clear that Christ meant less to them than to some English contemporaries of mine who make no entry of fact about the day. Why the day? And here our unkind friend looks up again with an unkind brightness—it is a Pagan day he says, the Roman Saturnalia, and the Mithraists' "Birthday of the Unconquered Son," nothing to do with Christ.

Perhaps not originally. Still let us look at the two Pagan festivals. I had a friend who said he always took heart when the shortest day was once past; the year was with him now more—in spite of February—"shortest of months and worst" as the Middle Ages used to say. I am no astronomer; but December 25 was the Sun's birthday for the old Persians, the promise of light of Spring and of harvest of the world reborn. I stand there with the early church and for me the birthday of Christ is the birthday of reborn world. If we are thinking of any day as a possible birthday for Jesus Christ this day belongs to Him assuredly far more than to Mithras. And that Roman festival—do you know how it was celebrated? Why, all the slaves of Rome were free then, the Roman poet called it the best of days. Light and Rebirth, Freedom and Happiness; and if they are associated with that day for the pagan much more are they for me. So I am going to keep the day with my eyes open to its meaning and trying not to forget whose name it bears; and I will wish all my friends (and readers too for that matter) a real Christmas.

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Husband: As a matter of fact I could not resist buying one for her. I saw it down in the book department. Singularity is, after unexpectedness, the great point about a gift, don't you think?

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In some parts of Russia it was customary—and may still be so, unless custom has been banned by the Bolsheviks—for the young girls of the village to go forth on New Year's Eve with beat with split sticks houses and yards. This was termed driving Satan from the village.

In Siam a custom that indicates a common origin of both consists of driving the devils forth from the city by gunfire. The first gun is fired from the central palace the second nearby and so until the outer walls of the city hear the booming. After this all devils have departed. But the city is not yet safe; the devils must be also kept from returning.

In Silesia the people burn damp wood, raise vast clouds of smoke and curse the unseen devils whom they are smoking out of their homes and village. In other parts the men turn out in the frosty air, form into circles, and shoot down invisible witches as they ride past on their broomsticks.

In Braedabane it was customary, even in modern times to fend off evil through the coming year by a quaint ritual. The house dog was first fed with bread after which and probably while still wagging a graceful tail he was thrust forth with many shouted curses. From the household into the hapless dog it was deemed all sickness in the coming year passed and waned.

With us the exchange of presents is peculiar to Christmas; but in many countries it is the New Year custom. It was too in England, a fact attested by the court custom of Charles II, which shows a considerable sum expended in this way. Here again there is evidence of the antiquity of the practice; there are references to it in both Tacitus and Suetonius. Jew, Mohammedan, Chinese, Egyptian and Roman all kept the day, though, of course, it was always the same day, or even the same month. From then we have inherited the custom. That it is religious in its origin all the ancient ritualistic practices and exorcisms witness; it is by a queer irony that it is in Christian countries that its celebration has reverted most markedly to the furious fun and frolic of the ancient Saturnalia, and that too, preserved the ancient superstitious beliefs in witches, devils and spells.

IS CHRISTMAS FARE RIGHT OR WRONG

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but once a year, and when it comes it brings good cheer, is excellent in its application in that portion of the year which nature conspires to make most gloomy in her drab wintry dress, especially in the large towns.

The vegetarian need only replace the usual food by abundance of fruit, salads, eggs in various combinations, cheese souffles, omelettes, and so on. Personally I prefer the old-fashioned Christmas dinner.

THE GENTLE ART OF BUYING GIFTS

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her one of these and a pair of green garters to match. You observe the notice: "Garters make acceptable Christmas gifts!" That was written by an expert after careful thought. That store probably employed a man to go round the city and find out the percentage of women who liked garters and in the majority of cases they replied "Most acceptable, thanks." Think of the arrival of a pair of green garters in the life of Aunt Maria! How little you know of psychology!

Wife: I at least know when humor is out of place.

Husband: Humor is never out of place! It is the sheet anchor of sanity. I'm sorry, but could you hitch up Peter's railway tunnel under my arm? People seem to crash into me on purpose. A short-sighted man tried to hang his hat on me. Thank you! How pretty you look. I think you are the only really good looking woman in the store.

Wife: Darling, do be sensible. You must be frightfully bored with all this. Husband: Oh not at all. I love it.

Wife: So what about lunch?

Husband: I was hoping you'd say that.

Top floor. Vest room. Gold lights. Beautiful maidens offering menus. An orchestra. Hundreds of women lunching together. Soup, steak and kidney pie, meringue Chantilly. Oh, my dear, I'm just exhausted! Did you get that gold bracelet for Betty's fancy dress? A constant hum of feminine voices. Much snapping of small cigarette cases. Coffee. Scent. A patch of the downtown area sacred to women. Men do not know it exists until they are taken out shopping.

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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

"Come," said Wardie, "a song—a Christmas song. I'll give you one in default of a better."—PICKWICK.

IT is not known into which old Carol Wardie broke out but we may be very sure that it was one of the familiar ones and that he did justice to it. Singing carols at Christmas time has always been part of our Christmas ritual. But not as they are sung to-day, either by trained choirs or by quartettes on their rounds from house to house.

Indeed these old sacred and traditional songs enshrine the very spirit of the season and carry it on from generation to generation, keeping alive the spirit that caused the watching shepherds to raise their voices and fill the still night with the strains of "Glory to God in the Highest," conjuring the simple piety of singers long since dead.

When old Patch the parish clerk, with the rest of the village choir sang beneath the Tulliver's windows Maggie would have it that the singing owed nothing to human voices; that it was in short a supernatural phenomenon. And Tom laughed at her as readers of George Eliot will recall. Nowadays it seems, for more than one reason, past belief that the strains that come in through the windows proceed from human voices. Yet despite the decay of organized carol singing, there is something in these old traditional melodies and in the charming words that go with them that stir the heart strangely. Perhaps it is because in them we hear the voice of a simple faith that has departed with the singers of other days.

When St. Francis of Assisi wandered near Paris one Yuletide he decided upon a merry play. The stable, the manger, the ox and the ass, the Mother and the Child were all faithfully presented. And when the audience was assembled the followers of St. Francis gathered about and sang the story of Christ's birth. They carried the sacred tale.

St. Francis had been to Rome. He had preached before the Pope and the Cardinals. His Order had been formally sanctioned by a Papal Bull. Let us not be misled by the fact that St. Francis had been sent out to all the provinces of Christendom recommending the monasteries of the Brothers Minor to the good graces of the ecclesiastical authorities. These things, however, St. Francis made yet another request to the Pope. He would like, he said, to celebrate Christmas with certain unusual ceremonies which had suggested themselves to him—ceremonies which would bring the meeting of the day home to simple people, but he would not do this without the approval of His Holiness, lest he should be accused of levity.

The Pope sanctioned the innovation, which was duly introduced in the village of Greccio near Assisi. The scene is thus described in Mrs. Oliphant's "Life of Saint Francis": "In this village, when the Eve of the Nativity approached, Francis instructed a certain grave and worthy man named Giovanni to prepare an ox and an ass, along with a manger and all the common fittings of a stable for his use in the church. When the solemn night arrived, Francis and his brethren arranged all these things into a visible representation of the occurrences of the night at Bethlehem. The manger was filled with hay, the animals were led into their places—a reproduction in startling realistic details of the surroundings of the first Christians. The population of the neighborhood rose as one man to the characteristic call. They gathered round the village church with tapers and torches, making luminous the December night. The brethren within the church and the crowds of the faithful who came and went with their lights in and out of the darkness poured out their hearts in praises to God; and the friars sang new canticles which were listened to with all the eagerness of a people accustomed to wandering jugglers and minstrels and for whom such songs were all the food to be had for the intellect and imagination."

And we are further told that St. Francis stood by this simple theatrical representation all the night long "filled with an unexpressed sweetness."

The word carol comes from the Italian carolare—to sing songs of joy. It was first used of these hymns sung during the performance of early Passion Plays, such hymns are still sung at the Play of Oberammergau. They were always sacred songs, rendered devoutly by devout singers.

In medieval England, when carols played a large part in Christmas jollies, they sang full-blooded songs, such as carols as: "Wassail, Wassail, all over the town, Our toast is it white and our ale it is brown. Our bowl is made of the maple tree; We all be good fellows—I drink to thee."

One of the earliest known carol makers was old Wynkyn de Worde, who flourished in the sixteenth century. It was he who composed the carol in honor of the boy's head, the first lines of which run as follows:

"Caput april defloro
Reddens laudes domino
The boy's head in hand bring I
With garlands gay and rosemary,
I pray you all sing merrily—
Quae est in convivio
The boy's head I understand
Is the chief service in this land,
Look wherever it be found,
Serve him due caution."

Gone the boy's head, to be replaced by the stuffed turkey, and gone the old carol to make way for the new. But we must not imagine that strolling carol singers without voices or any musical merit are peculiar to our own times. When Queen Elizabeth sat upon the throne of England, the populace bewailed the vociferous "roaring boys"—strolling carol singers—who made night hideous with their caterwauling. These were the ballad screamers, who conjured more cold water than pennies from high windows.

Of the carols of to-day, the most familiar are "The Mistletoe Bough," "Good King Wenceslas," "I Saw Three Ships," "Christians Awake," "We Come a-Wassailing," and "Noel." The simple musicians who made the familiar music of these carols, both forgotten and unremembered, are unknown; they have passed, leaving a legacy of simple melodies for all time. The great composers worked to a larger plan, giving the world magnificent music, such as that of Handel and Bach, appropriate for Christmas performance, and generally performed at this season. People should be grateful, however, to these composers, for while the simple carol has declined, to become a mere song of festive import, the great Christmas music, such as Haydn's Christmas symphony and the superb "Slumber, Beloved" of Bach's Christmas Oratorio, keep alive the sacred music peculiar to the Christmas festival.

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"In the toe," answered the pig. "See, there's a big lump in the toe of the stocking. It must be a present."

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"It's a big Christmas stocking I found back there under the trees," said Uncle Wiggily, "and I'm taking it home and going to hang it up for Santa Claus."

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Saying It With Ensembles

Everything
In the Wardrobe
Must Do Its Bit
To Create Unity
And Harmony
Of Effect



A Velvet Dress in
Blue, Rose and Beige
Is Worn With
Steel Blue Coat
And Matching Hat



Beige and Coral
Are the Tones
Of This Three-Piece
Tweed Ensemble
For Sportswomen



Blue Fox Trims the Coat
Of This Dressy Ensemble
In Navy Blue Broadcloth
The Blouse Is
Brocaded Crepe Satin
In Gold, Blue, Beige
And Burgundy



This Morning Ensemble
Of Striped Woolen
In Beige and Burgundy
Has a Cheviot Jacket,
A Vest-like Bodice,
And Box-Pleated Skirt

By FRANCES CLYNE

Creator of the Ensembles on This Page

SINCE smartness has definitely triumphed over mere prettiness, the entire costume rather than the individual elements is the final test.

An expensive gown, with good lines, is rendered ineffective by an inharmonious wrap and a hat that is not well chosen, while a very inexpensive, even cheap, outfit takes on a certain distinction if it achieves a finished, well correlated effect.

The ensemble of to-day is by no means arbitrary, either as to color or material. The coat and gown may be of different materials; they are smarter if they are in different colors. But they must create the effect of harmony and unity.

No item of the costume can be regarded singly. A dress that does not fit into a wardrobe scheme, and cannot be worn with some coat and hat you possess, is an unwise investment unless you wish to use it as the basis of a completely new ensemble.

This rule prevails for all hours of the day and for evening, for sports, and for street wear. You cannot be halfway in the matter. You either look smart or you do not. And since it is more sensible and more to your advantage, and since it costs no more to be correctly attired, why not be on the credit side rather than the debit side of chic?

FOR your sports ensemble, I cannot overestimate the importance of tweeds and soft woollens for the late Winter and the early Spring. Paris has sponsored it, and the style leaders of this country have accepted it without reservation.

Jersey is also worth your consideration. It now comes in printed patterns and plain, and it is combined most effectively with crepe de Chine and even velvet. The success of the black jersey frock has been outstanding. The jersey jumper is ideal with the tweed suit, and is usually more harmonious than silk. Palm Beach and the Winter resorts have paid more attention to jersey than ever before.

There are unlimited opportunities for service in the sports costume shown at the left centre. It has a long tweed coat, a skirt of the same material and a blouse of jersey banded with the material and accented with little clasps of coral.

The caracul which binds the coat is the ideal fur for tweed and carries out the sports theme. The hat is of beige felt, in the simple cloche style that is the correct note in millinery.

For early Spring this is a delightful costume, and one in which every detail is correct.

ANOTHER sports frock that will do nicely under the top coat of fur or tweed until the first days of Spring is the ensemble at the lower right. This has a striped wool

box-pleated skirt with a vest-like bodice in tones of beige and a deep burgundy red.

The short jacket, that is cut with such easy nonchalance, is of burgundy red cheviot, attractively lined with the material of the dress. The hat is an untrimmed model of burgundy red felt.

A distinctive touch is achieved here by the double-breasted effect of the straight-line vest. This requires the slender figure, naturally. In fact, this ensemble is decidedly for the flapper or small woman.

For afternoon wear, the ensemble has infinite possibilities. The most practical purchase is the black coat, trimmed with a good fur which may be worn with the black frock, or one of the brilliantly colored crepes, or even with the brocaded materials that are so liked for formal afternoon wear this season.

FOR the all-black outfit at the right centre, black leda cloth is used for the coat, lightened at the collar and cuffs with thick, luxurious natural lynx. The frock is of black crepe georgette with a full skirt, horizontal tucks at the waist, and an original collar of white georgette beaded in white beads. This is the classical type of afternoon outfit, in perfect taste, undeniably elegant and conservative.

More verve and a little more originality is expressed in the blue broadcloth ensemble at the upper right. The coat is elaborately furled with blue fox; the skirt is circular and surplice bodice is of brilliantly printed brocaded crepe satin.

Dull golds, burgundy and blue are contrasted on a background of beige that matches the tone of the fur. There is a circular line to the coat in the front that gives an attractive fullness about the hemline, while keeping the hipline decidedly narrow and slim.

This hint of gorgeousness about the blouse, which is new this year, is a very good note. With this same skirt, one might also have plain colored blouses of high color, or even white or delicate pink overblouses. The possibilities are endless, but the effect would always be chic because the foundation is correct.

An original ensemble, delightful for early Spring, is

shown at the upper left. The printed velvet frock is in shades of blue and beige, and is worn with a coat of steel blue suede cloth lined with velvet to match the frock.

The coat features a scalloped edging that carries out the theme of the figured dress. The hat is of steel blue felt, with a rose-beige ribbon banding to match the beige fox scarf.

A YEAR or so ago when the ensemble had a very definite relation between frock and coat, with the coat enlivened with touches of the frock material or at least lined with it, the ensemble idea was more easily achieved than today when smartness insists that there must be harmony but little "matching."

It does sound hard but, by closely analyzing costumes which you instinctively know have chic, you will see how the right handbag, the right gloves and hose and shoes and jewelry, carry out the ensemble idea.

It's something much more than a warning not to wear a brown hat with a blue coat, nor grey hose with brown shoes. It's a positive rather than a negative thing. It means eternal vigilance as the price of chicness.

Perhaps one cardinal rule might be to learn complementary and supplementary colors.

Do work with your wardrobe as a whole—and don't adopt the hit-and-miss system of buying—you miss oftener than you hit, and you can't afford to look wrong these days when so many women always look right.

A TALK ABOUT LICHENS—BY ROBERT CONNELL

IN one of the pleasant essays of a bygone writer, Dr. Andrew Wilson, he speaks of the debt of artists to Nature for the "effects of green and grey and neutral tints they love to show on ruined tower, on stone fence and on mill-roof and wall," and he asks: "What would the artist do without the lower forms of plant life?" He is describing a Summer day, but with us on Vancouver Island the colors he refers to are to be found in the Winter rather than in the Summer, for most of the lower plants require for their development a plentiful supply of water.

His words suggest that the Great Artist is Nature herself, and that it is the resources of her palette that, through color sense and imagination, are interpreted for us by human artists. For it is surprising how blind and insensitive we are to the beauties of Nature till they are recreated for us by the painter and the poet. The artist's "palette" is the oval or oblong

plate of wood on which he lays out and mixes the various colors he intends to use in painting a picture, but the word is also used for the colors themselves taken as a whole, a certain set of colors being generally characteristic of a particular painter. Nature's palette, then, the colors or colored substances with which she paints the earth. Thus there is one palette of Spring and another of Autumn, one palette of the northern tundra and another of the tropical forest.

THE LICHEN PUZZLE

Of the lowly plants which compose so large a part of Nature's Winter palette, here the lichens are the most remarkable, as they are also the most widespread. They have a greater range of colors than the mosses, on the one hand, and cover wider surfaces than the fungi, on the other. But it is their character as well as their display that makes them noteworthy. To the earliest

botanists who undertook their study lichens were looked upon as "mosses," and the first to place them in a class by themselves was a Scotsman, John Morison, who, in the tradition of the time, was both medical man and gardener. In a treatise on botany published in 1669 he puts them under the heading "moss-fungus," and distinguishes them from mosses, algae and liverworts. In 1700 a French botanist, Tournefort, established the genus Lichen. The number of lichen species then grew under the observation of a succession of plant students, but it was not until early in the nineteenth century that the method of reproduction was approximately understood, and to a Swedish botanist we owe many of the technical terms still in use. This was Dr. Acharius, who made the remarkable advance of putting the lichens in a distinct order by themselves. Still, however, the true nature of lichens was unknown, and remained so until, in 1807, Dr. Schwendener proved that they were

compound of two distinct classes of plants. The puzzling resemblances between lichens and fungi, and between the supposed "spores" and certain algae, were at last explained, and, although even thirty years later Bennett and Murray could say that there were still those who were "unable to shake off the traditions of their study" and "clung to the old view of the independent nature" of lichens, the lichen was definitely proved to be a combination of two distinct organisms in one plant form, a fungus and an alga. Both are capable of separate life, but the fungus only for a brief period, since it is entirely dependent on the alga—the working partner, so to speak.

THE BEARD MOSS AND ITS CO-OPERATIVE SYSTEM

A familiar example of lichen is the so-called "beard moss," which trails downward from the branches of our forest trees. Its grey-green color and thread-like texture gives a peculiar appearance

to the woods where it is plentiful, softening the formality of the firs and modifying the dark hue of the foliage. When examined the threads are found to be much-branched and, when mature, to have among them round, disk-shaped bodies; in these are immersed the spore-bearing organs of the fungus member of the lichen. The green color is due to the presence of many small, green, one-celled plants within the walls of the filaments. These are algae of the same genus as those which form the damp green coating on old fences and trees at this season, and, like them, they multiply, though more slowly, by division. They are so small, that even when magnified 500 times they may appear only a quarter of an inch in diameter.

The little green plants thus buried in the walls of the beard moss are as actively engaged in the manufacture of food as are the larger plants of our forests, fields and gardens. They have the same power, by reason of their green

coloring matter, of breaking down carbon dioxide and water and building up sugar and starch. From their fungus companion they receive, in return for these commodities, nitrogen, the fundamental essential of protoplasm, the "physical basis of life." It has been shown, indeed, that even in the absence of light or air, or both, the little algae go on making their carbon compounds from the waste products of the fungus.

This double life of the beard moss is a very intimate form of what scientists call "symbiosis," a relationship of two organisms with mutual benefit. Wherever, then, we see it or other lichens we are in the presence of this co-partnership principle, and we should have great difficulty in not being in its presence, since lichens are among the most widespread plants, ranging from the seashore to the mountain summits, and from the tropics to the polar regions. Of their contributions to coloration I shall have more to say later.

DISCOVERIES IN HUMANS

Martinelli Was Imitating Graphophone When Maestro Discovered He Had Great Voice

Opera Star Was Clarinetist in Regimental Band in Italy Then and Didn't Suspect What Future Had in Store for Him.

By PRESTON WRIGHT



Few in America have heard the name of Gerolamo Gaudino. Yet Gaudino performed a very important service for the world. He discovered one of the greatest tenors of modern times—Giovanni Martinelli.

More than twenty years ago Gaudino, then maestro of a regimental band at Piedmont, in Italy, heard a commotion in the quarters occupied by the band.

The evening bugle had sounded and quiet reigned elsewhere in the barracks. But from the musicians' rooms came loud laughter, mingled with sounds that seemed to be issuing from an extraordinarily powerful graphophone.

Discipline must be maintained. The maestro investigated. He soon found the reason for the disturbance. Some wag among the members of the band had hoisted a big bass horn into a window looking on the street and imitating a graphophone, was singing through it to passersby.

Thoughts of reprimand died from Gaudino's mind as he listened. The singer's voice was a rich and powerful tenor. The musician in the maestro triumphed over everything else as its tones fell upon his ear.

He entered the room from which the voice issued.

"Who was it that was singing?" he demanded of a little group gathered behind the bass horn.

The funmakers, foreseeing punishment, were silent and embarrassed. But finally the clarinetist of the band spoke up.

"I was—myself," he said.

Gaudino surveyed the youth in surprise.

"You, Martinelli!" he exclaimed. "Since when have you been singing like that? I've never noticed it."

The clarinetist's courage began to return. He no longer had visions of having to pay for his prank.

"I guess I have a natural voice," he said.

"But you were singing an aria."

"Oh, yes—I like them best."

Gaudino requested him to sing again. He complied.

"Listen," continued the maestro, "have you ever thought of studying to be a singer?"

"Oh, no, maestro. I never imagined I had voice enough."

"Well," said the other, thoughtfully, "you never can tell. You will hear from me again."

A few evenings later Gerolamo Gaudino told Giovanni Martinelli to the

home of a friend, where a group of maestros was gathered. They confirmed Gaudino's belief that he had discovered a real voice.

"You must sing," they told Martelli. "Yes, you must find a good instructor as soon as you finish your service in the army."

When he and Gaudino were alone, Martelli addressed the bandmaster seriously.

"I thank you for all you are trying to do for me," he said, "but really it is useless. I cannot afford to study. When I end my military term I must return to my trade of cabinet maker. My father will need my aid."

Gaudino was not convinced.

"We must find a backer for you," he explained.

The kindly friendship of the maestro is a splendid thing to consider. He went to Colonel Airoldi, commander of the regiment, and obtained leave of absence to take his protégé to Milan, the musical centre of Italy. There he obtained for Martinelli a hearing before a group of maestros and the proprietors of a chain of theatres.

His faith was justified. The theatre owners were so impressed by the young soldier's voice—he was in uniform—they agreed to pay all his expenses during two years of study under the noted Giuseppe Mandolini. They were to obtain their return from a percentage of his receipts when the success they expected should materialize.

His studies completed, Martelli made his debut in the Dal Verme theatre in Milan, the same in which he had been given his first hearing. Appearing in Verdi's "Ernani" he earned an ovation.

Two years afterward, while singing the role of Johnson in "The Girl of the Golden West," in Rome, he was heard by Gatti-Casazza, director of the Metropolitan Opera House in New York. This brought him an engagement. He has been a fixture ever since.

However, if Martinelli hadn't come to Gaudino's attention, all might have been different. The young man's father, Antonio Martinelli, raised strong objection when his son wrote him that he was considering a singer's career. The singers he had known in his little native city of Montagnana, in the province of Padua, had been a beggarly lot, often dependent upon public aid. It was only through the intercession of Colonel Airoldi that he was prevented from going to Piedmont to carry out a threat to take his son home forcibly when he was released from his compulsory stay in the army.

Feculiarly, it was that humble instrument, the clarinet, which brought Martinelli within the range of Gaudino's notice.

25th Anniversary of Man's First Flight Finds Nation On the Wing

By HAROLD G. MCCOY

The continent has been crossed by an aeroplane in less than nineteen hours.

The Atlantic and Pacific have been hopped, the North Pole circled, the Pacific Ocean flown from San Francisco to Australia, the known world explored.

Soon the last uncharted area of the earth—the grim Antarctic continent—will yield to the prying eyes of daring men roaring high above it in throbbing planes.

Man has flown 278 miles an hour—more than four and one-half miles a minute; soared to 38,418 feet—seven and one-quarter miles above the earth; remained aloft 85 hours 25 minutes, almost three days.

And all this in the twenty-five short years since the Wright Brothers, Orville and Wilbur, first demonstrated human flight in a heavier-than-air machine on December 17, 1903.

The giant infant among industries is celebrating this month the twenty-fifth anniversary of that flight.

Aviation leaders from the four corners of the earth will pay tribute to the surviving brother of the two men who made history on the hard sand dunes at Kitty Hawk, N.C., that Winter day twenty-five years ago.

On December 17, the anniversary of that first flight in a flimsy thing of bamboo and wire, they will gather at Kitty Hawk to honor Orville Wright, the Dayton, O., engineer who helped more than any other man to give the world a new and amazingly fast means of transportation.

With them will be American leaders of the industry, Wright, Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, the other men who have helped to write America's name in the skies.

The aeroplane as a vehicle of commerce is a thing of very recent development.

It demonstrated its worth as a weapon in the World War, but it was not until 1927 that Lindbergh's spectacular hop to Paris first opened the world's eyes to its commercial value.

In Europe passenger lines had grown in popularity under the spur of Government subsidy and the ever-present urge to build up a new arm of defence for their borders.

And Americans had looked across Atlantic and wondered why this nation was falling behind.

Was America to lag in the air? Men pondered that question.

And then a blonde youth leaped out of the unknown across the sea and America, joyously, almost overnight, took to the air.

The nation became air-conscious almost in a day. Aviation, which had fought for years to live despite public neglect, suddenly began to feel the throbs of new life. Plane and engine factories strained to meet the call. The little band of men who fly plunged into the task of equipping the nation with wings.

The boom is only beginning. Aeroplane manufacturers are grudgingly promising delivery months after orders. Engine builders are swamped with demands from an industry which has grown tremendously in eighteen months.

Manufacturers are rushing the building of additions and wondering whether even these enlarged plants

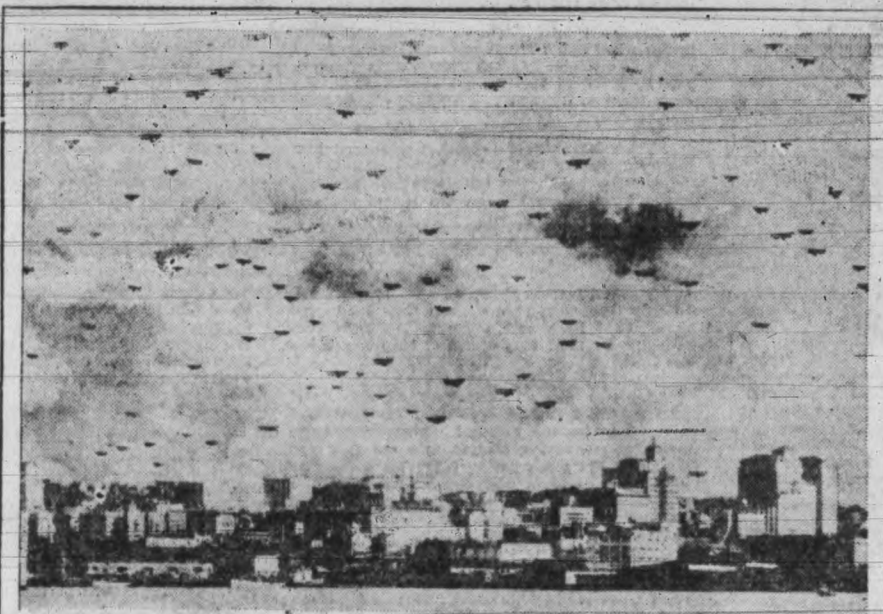
As a young boy he had sung in the choir of the principal church of Montagnana. But at twelve when his soprano voice began to change, he dropped all singing and did not resume until he was seventeen.

Meantime his musical instinct led him to learn to play the clarinet. He became a member of the local band. When the time came for him to do his military service, he naturally enrolled himself as a clarinetist. He was drafted for the regimental band under Gaudino.

Thus did circumstances pave the way for the prank that finally introduced him to a great career.

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THE STORY OF TWENTY-FIVE YEARS



These pictures tell the story of twenty-five years. The remarkable photograph at the top shows a flock of army and navy planes darkening the heavens over San Diego, Calif., during the maneuvers there. Below is the official War Department photo of the first aeroplane flight ever made by man—Wilbur Wright taking off at Kitty Hawk, N.C., in the original Wright aeroplane on December 17, 1903. The arrow points to Wright, lying flat on the lower wing. The machine was projected from a runway by a catapult and flew only 120 feet—but man had flown at last!

will be able to keep pace with the orders pouring in.

Financiers are plunging into the new industry and pouring millions into the new industry. Mergers and the building of far-flung air lines recall the hectic days of consolidation in the infant railroad industry.

The nation is webbed with a network of airmail, express and passenger lines. Sturdy planes are flying daily in these services 40,854 miles in the United States alone, almost twice the distance round the earth. The nation is girdled with 14,833 miles of airways, 8,000 of them lighted, and 6,000 of new routes scheduled.

Airmail planes are flying 20,000 miles daily.

Thirty-seven states traversed by commercial air lines, 108 cities served by regularly scheduled flights, with two-thirds of the nation's population in the area served.

The financiers find that America, after all, has not lagged in the air; that its planes in 1927 flew 6,000,000 transport miles as against 5,500,000

miles for Germany, 3,500,000 for France, and 2,000,000 miles for England. And foreign countries pay subsidies.

Despite all the development, aviation in the United States is still only a baby.

Very soon great tri-motored transport planes, carrying fourteen passengers, two pilots, and a cabin steward, their baggage and a ton of mail and express, will start regular daily service between New York and Chicago.

Even now, great air liners of Boeing Air Transport Company are speeding passengers through the air from Chicago to San Francisco. Other networks of air lines reach past the Mexican and Canadian borders.

Soon other air lines will whirl passengers down the Atlantic coast and across the Florida Straits to Cuba; even along the curving line of the Antilles to Panama and South America.

Great rail systems already have visioned the things this new vehicle of commerce is destined to do and have bound it to themselves.

Transcontinental Air Transport Company, a merging of the activities of the Pennsylvania railroad, National Air Transport, Curtiss Aeroplane and Motor Company and associated banking interests, will begin transcontinental rail and air passenger service early in 1929.

The Pennsylvania calls it harnessing the aeroplane to the iron horse and plans an air-rail service.

The New York Central, its rival, begins routing its rush passengers by Universal Air Lines plane.

Universal merges Robertson Aircraft Company and the plane-manufacturing business of Anthony G. H. Fokker, the great Dutch builder, and plans great luxurious ships carrying thirty-two passengers on day trips and with sixteen berths for night flights.

Other bankers step into the Boeing Company which operates the longest single air line in the world—the Chicago-San Francisco airmail, express and passenger line, and plan to extend its operations to New York, thus forging a transcontinental route under one control.

Candy For Christmas!

By SISTER MARY

Perhaps the kind of candy that appeals most to you is the kind that is easy to make. Chocolate covered creams are delightful and bespeak the skill of the maker but the process is somewhat long and tedious, requiring two separate and distinct sessions. Fudge, penouch, peanut brittle, caramels, jelly bars and many other varieties are always popular and are easy for the amateur candy-maker to make. Caramels "that melt in the mouth" are well worth a place in the Christmas candy box.

CARAMELS
Two and one-half cups granulated sugar, ¾ cup red label corn syrup, 1 cup cream, 4 tablespoons butter, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1 cup chopped nut meats.

Melt one cup of sugar over a low fire until a golden syrup. Stir while melting. Add remaining sugar, corn syrup and cream and bring slowly to the boiling point, stirring constantly.

Add butter and cook very slowly over a slow fire. Cook until syrup forms a hard ball when dropped in cold water. Remove from fire and let cool a few minutes before adding nuts and vanilla. Turn into a well-buttered square pan and let stand until firm. Mark into squares. When solid cut and wrap in oiled paper.

If a candy thermometer is used it should register 250 degrees F. when the candy is done.

This candy is slow in the cooking and must be stirred to prevent burning, but requires no aftermath of stirring or working.

The following uncooked candy is rather novel and very easy to make:

UNCOOKED FRUIT CANDY

One-half cup peanut nut meats, ¼ cup Brazilian nut meats, ¼ cup chopped figs, ¼ cup stoned and chopped dates, 4 tablespoons shredded citron, 1 tablespoon orange juice, 2 squares bitter chocolate, powdered sugar.

Put nuts and fruit through food chopper. Mix thoroughly with orange juice. Melt chocolate and stir into first mixture. Work with a fork until perfectly blended. Pack into a but-

tered square pan. When firm cut in squares and roll in powdered sugar.

LEMON DROPS

One cup powdered sugar, ¼ cup lemon juice.

Put sugar into a smooth sauce pan and add lemon juice. Let stand undisturbed until sugar is dissolved. Put over a low fire and bring slowly to the boiling point. Boil gently until a few drops tried in cold water are hard and crack against the bottom of the saucer. Do not stir while cooking and dip the tines of a fork into the syrup to test. When candy is done drop from tip of spoon on to a marble slab or waxed paper spread over smooth trays.

ORANGE JELLY BARS

Two tablespoons plain granulated gelatine, 2 cups granulated sugar, ¾ cup boiling water, 1-3 cup cold water, 1 large orange.

Soak gelatine in cold water for ten minutes. Add boiling water and stir until dissolved. Add sugar and grated rind of orange. Bring quickly to the boiling point and boil for fifteen minutes. Add orange juice and boil seven minutes longer. Pour through

FAMOUS PETS OF FAMOUS PEOPLE

The Bear, Coyote, Raccoon, Squirrel, Dog and Thrush Which Helped Enliven the Youth of Frederick Mulhaupt

By PRESTON WRIGHT



"The bear, Jumbo, was a jolly, companionable fellow."

The small boy whose predilection for pets cannot be gratified, or who must perforce be satisfied with a dog, or cat, or bird, probably will perish of envy upon hearing of the childhood pets of Frederick J. Mulhaupt, the noted landscape painter.

Of course Mulhaupt's youthful days were passed under conditions that have vanished utterly. It was at Rockport, Mo., and Kiowa, Kas., on the very border line of the Old Indian Territory, now Oklahoma, that he grew up. The modern order had not yet done away with the picturesque melody that then held sway—a melody through which moved cowboys, Indians, soldiers, two-gun men, desperadoes and all the other what-not of frontier times.

Bears, wildcats, wolves, coyotes, swifts, squirrels, raccoons, badgers, crows and numerous other wild creatures mingled with the more domestic members of young Mulhaupt's furred and feathered family.

Some he captured from the wild while they were very young. Others were brought to him by cowboy friends. In the end he had a veritable menagerie.

Of them all only the wolves remained adamant against human friendships. The bears and all the others were capable of becoming "pals." But not the wolves. They were incurably wild.

Of Freddie Mulhaupt's pets the most appealing were his thrush, Dick, the squirrel, Bob, the bear, Jumbo, the raccoon, Elder, a Newfoundland dog, Carlo, and a coyote, appropriately named "Steel."

He had crippled the thrush while out hunting and after he healed its wound it became a great pal. It followed him everywhere, "like a dog," responding to a call. However, it developed an incurable tendency to burst into song in the middle of the night, awakening the family, and Mulhaupt, senior, ruled that it would have to be gotten rid of. Freddie took it to the woods hoping it would join its wild relatives, but it followed him home again. Eventually he turned it over to a neighbor.

The squirrel also accompanied him frequently. It delighted particularly in sitting on his shoulder and chatting volubly.

One day dogs espied Mr. Squirrel and Freddie. Mulhaupt, speedily, was the centre of a wild confusion outside the butcher shop. His pet did not relish the proximity of the leaping, barking, growling canines and leaped to safety at the top of the screen door. It was a long time before it could be espied from its place of vantage. A considerable time was required in which to render it tame again. Ultimately it gave in to the man who had had it and got the thrush. It promptly bit her.

A fine wire strainer into a brick shaped bread pan. Let stand two or three hours in cold place. Cut into oblong shaped pieces and roll in powdered sugar.

BIT BRITTLE
Two cups granulated sugar, ¼ teaspoon cream of tartar, 1 cup nut meats.

Stir cream of tartar into sugar and put into an iron frying pan. Stir over a low fire until a golden brown syrup is formed. Remove from heat, add nuts and pour on to a well buttered platter. Spread as thin as possible. When cold and hard break into small pieces.

Any kind of nuts or canned or freshly grated coconut can be used in a "brittle."

The bear, Jumbo, was a jolly companionable fellow, who strolled about with young Mulhaupt as a chum. On such occasions the chain that ordinarily confined him to a post was wrapped about his neck and he was allowed complete freedom. Jumbo was generally shy. But when he was taken to be photographed with Mulhaupt, he shied at the camera, with its mysterious muzzle pointed at him, and ducked bashfully behind a piece of background.

The coyote was a real comrade, but she was an incurable thief. For a long time her tendency to steal was amusing, but in the end it brought sad results.

Under the box in which "Steel" lived was a burrow. Visitors who used to sit on the box to play with her, were almost certain to have their pockets rifled. Regularly Freddie Mulhaupt cleared out the burrow. In the end he would find pencils, handkerchiefs, memorandum books and other knick-knacks which "Steel" had concealed there.

Sometimes at night, Mulhaupt would permit the coyote to run at large so as to get exercise. But now her tendency to steal got her into trouble. She raided a chicken coop. About the third time she was shot down by the owner.

Mulhaupt regretted, for her sake as well as his own, that he hadn't accepted \$25, which a circus traveling through Kiowa had offered for her.

Elder, the raccoon, was highly amusing. Most wild animals are distrustful of anyone who injures them. Young Mulhaupt inadvertently stepped on Elder's forepaw and broke it, but when he bound it in splints and cured the injury Elder continued to give him his full confidence.

The raccoon was easily entertained. His master would put a pan of water on the ground, with a marble in it, and Elder would sit for hours rolling the ball around.

But he, too, was a marauder, for he killed dozens of the butcher's chickens. That gentleman threatened suit, so Elder had to be transported to other regions.

The big Newfoundland, Carlo, was insatiably fond of playing water ball, and always was permitted as an extra on Freddie Mulhaupt's team when the boys divided sides at the swimming pool.

Parent Mulhaupt made a set of harness for Carlo and he learned to draw a wagon. But he performed the duty only indifferently when the kids staged a circus parade. He had a tendency to wander out of line, and would not respond to the reins.

To curb this propensity, Freddie tied a rag to a ten-foot pole and waved it temptingly in front of the dog. The latter, intent upon seeing the bit of cloth, never noticed that he was being held to a true course in the line of march. The parade proceeded with vast eclat and no mean amount of realism.

Happy kid days! When Mulhaupt grew up and came East to study art, his pets passed out of his life. The multitudinous enthusiasms of boyhood had given way to a single purpose. (Copyright, 1928, by Republic Syndicate, Inc.)

As a dandy was walking down a narrow passage he met a girl and said to her, "Pray, my dear, what is the name of this passage?"

"Balaam's Passage," she replied.

"Ah, then, I am like Balaam, stopped by an angel," he said.

"And I," rejoined the girl, "am like the angel, stopped by an ass."

Trader Moberly or "When Fur Was King"

Graphic Description of Picturesque Frontier Life of the Early Canadian West Over Half a Century Ago

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INSTALLMENT NUMBER EIGHT

Methy Portage Added to My Charge

IN 1871 the Roman Catholic missionaries at Lac la Biche started to cut a cart road to Fort McMurray, but, after spending \$1,100, abandoned the project.

The following year a party under a Hudson's Bay officer was sent from Lac la Biche to examine this road. He reached McMurray with the loss of nearly all his horses and reported the route impossible. In the summer of 1873 I was instructed to try to complete the road. I knew it could not be done and refused, but offered to open a way to the Saskatchewan if the matter was left to my discretion.

On receiving permission, I went to Cold Lake and made a complete map for a good road, with the estimated cost of construction, and offered to finish it in one season. This offer was not accepted, for the reason that it was thought such a road would enable free traders too easily to get into the North.

From Fort McMurray, on the north side of the Athabasca, a feasible route could be found to strike the Peace below Red River, passing through some fine tracts of timber.

One of my hunters had two wives, one old, the other young. When the Roman Catholic bishop, Mgr. Olt, visited McMurray he told the men he must marry one woman and put away the other. As he had two children by the older woman, he kept her and was duly married.

Two months later he came to the post and asked me to write the bishop and inform him that he had taken the wrong woman, but had corrected his error by replacing the older wife with the younger. As he still had but one wife, I declined to interfere, telling the man he might explain the matter when next he met the bishop. The attempt to explain to his lordship must have been amusing, if ineffectual, for he promptly took back the first wife.

After my return from the excursion at Cold Lake I received instructions to examine the river from Fort McMurray to Fort Smith and make a map of it. I left with a large canoe and four men.

I found, between McMurray and Lake Athabasca, 185 miles, the shallowest water eight and a half feet at the lowest stage of the river. For the nine miles across the lake, it was deep. Between the lake and Fort Smith, 110 miles, I encountered only one shoal in the channel of the Peace, a ridge of rock not more than twelve or fifteen feet wide. A channel might easily be blasted through this ridge. The rest of the distance might be run by large vessels, even at low water.

I also surveyed a thirteen-mile portage past the rapids on the Peace below Fort Smith. Below these rapids extends clear, open navigation for large steamers to the Arctic Sea.

In the Spring of 1874, while retaining charge of Fort McMurray, I had added to my supervision the freighting of all returns and supplies across the twelve-mile Methy Portage. The outfit for Athabasca, Peace River, Mackenzie River and the Yukon all passed here, as well as all the fur, caribou tongues, leather, etc., loaded during the previous year. While the brigades were crossing I was kept busy checking cargoes as they arrived, apportioning loads for the boats, reporting on the conditions of cargoes. The boats from Hudson Bay, Red River, Cumberland and Green Lake brought goods from the south; those from Peace River, Peel River, Mackenzie River and Athabasca brought furs. I crossed the portage frequently three and sometimes four times a day, receiving and dispatching brigades north and south.

The winter of 1874-75 was a bitter one, with deep snow and severe thaw until April. On the second or third day of that month, however, a further heavy fall of snow was followed by a sudden rise in temperature. The change of weather and weight of the melting snow caused the ice for the eighty-five-mile stretch of rapids above the fort to break up, and it came down the Athabasca with terrific force. On striking the turn in the stream at the post, it blocked the river and drove the ice two miles up the Clearwater in piles forty or fifty feet high. In less than an hour the water rose fifty-seven feet, flooding the whole flat and mowing down trees, some three feet in diameter, like grass.

Fortunately the spur of the hill just above the fort sloped to the river, forming an eddy. The flood caught only one of the houses, but this was at once swept away. When the water had mounted almost to the bank, I ordered everyone back to the high ground, but, fearing that if the rise reached the house its contents would be damaged, I stayed behind and, shutting the doors, commenced to carry what articles I could to the upper rooms.

Presently I noticed water trickling in under the doors. I was too much occupied, however, to take time to look out until a large tree dashed in at the window. I knew now that I was in for a cold bath. After I had, with great difficulty, got out of the trap, a hundred yards of water, five to ten feet deep, still separated me from dry land. When, at times wading and again swimming, I at length reached it and safety, no one with a leg ever shook harder than did I after my ducking.

We cleared away the snow and made a comfortable camp, and here we remained for five days before we could reoccupy the houses. Out of thirty-seven oxen used for the transport service, only one escaped. The rest were drowned.

The lack of these oxen would upset the whole transport arrangements and cause an immense loss in time and money. I therefore determined to have them replaced, if possible, without delaying to unwind a lot of red tape through reporting to headquarters and awaiting instructions. Taking four men, each with his blanket and gun on his back, I made a bee-line for Lac la Biche, the nearest post in the Saskatchewan district. Here I found one of our old officers, W. E. Traill, in charge, and, with his assistance, bought every available horse or ox capable of hauling a cart and started for home with my purchases.

We had a heart-breaking return trip, wading through snow and water to our knees and crossing creeks and rivers swollen to their banks. The journey to Lac la Biche took seven days, the return to McMurray thirteen. An additional three days found us at Methy Portage. Two days later the first brigade arrived and the situation was thus neatly saved.

I sent in a full report to headquarters, upon which "the powers that be," so far from finding fault, gave me two promotions instead of one, rewarding Mr. Traill, also, with one promotion for backing me up.

I remained in charge of Fort McMurray and the transport at Methy Portage until March 1, 1875. On the previous day I had received a letter from Chief Factor R. McFarlane, head of the Athabasca district, informing me that Donald Ross, the officer lately in charge of Fort Vermilion and the lower Peace River, had died shortly after New Year's and that since then the community had been like a flock without a shepherd. Everything had gone wrong. The hunters had left, the people both at Vermilion and Red River were starving and he implored me to go up and see what could be done to remedy matters.

Making all arrangements for carrying on the routine at Fort McMurray in my absence and leaving my clerk, James Spencer, in charge, I started with my dogs and reached Red River on March 11. The fort is built at the mouth of the river on a bank of tundra some eighteen feet high. As I neared the landing a voice from above reached me, inquiring anxiously:

"My God! Moberly, have you any fish, or grub to spare?"

B'ARS

British Columbia has a little bit of everything enclosed between her boundary lines; the variety is not limited to human species by a long way. There is a mine or two, some woods, open spots and last, but not least, some game, says John R. Howard, Francois Lake, in The Interior News.

The "Unholy Three" were trying to absorb what little sunshine filtered through the clouds, and were discussing the Northland in general.

Old Man Piffer, one time trapper, prospector and "hay-wire rancher" of sixty summers, seemed to have a grinch about everything he could think of, and he was sure thinking.

"Look at here, Shorty," grumbled Piffer, "there's more game in the Peace country than there ever was in British Columbia."

"Like to know how you get that way," growled Shorty. "Seems as if you might stand up for your own Province."

"Sourdough," Kelly looked from one to the other.

"Say, what's eatin' you two hammer heads. Seems you can't say six words peaceable-like," Kelly remarked.

"Well, Piffer, sure gets my hanny, always bleatin' about some other place. And you can't drive him out of his neck of the woods with a club," Shorty said.

"W-e-l-l, Shorty, I hear a loud 'woof, woof,' and right in front of Joe up rises a big black 'bar.' My hair riz likewise and I was for splittin' the wind and get out o' there. The 'bar' beat me to it and left me for parts unknown. Joe, he says that's his pet 'bar' and not to be uneasy, but that said fact don't help me none."

"Say, what do you think your words are, a hen?" Shorty grinned. "I don't want 'em layin' around here."

"Har, har," Sourdough got sarcastic. "Maybe they are bricks; they sure lay around some."

"No danger of you two fallin' over 'em," Piffer smiled. "You don't move around enough to hit nothing. Which same fact reminds me o' the time when Joe Hermanoski went fishin'."

"All right, I'll be good," Shorty laughed. "Only tell us all about it."

Piffer looked at his two old-time friends with a sad smile, loaded up his favorite, fragrant fumigator, and started off through the past.

"It were up about Mile 178 on the Hudson Bay Railway that Joe Hermanoski built himself a shack which were to be his headquarters while he run his trap-line. Joe had a lot o' experience runnin' trap-lines over the most o' Russia, to say nothin' about part o' Siberia and China. He must have thought he were back there again, for he staked a line that a timber wolf would take a week to go from one end to the other, if the said wolf were feelin' real pert."

"I don't recollect if he got to the Pole or not, but at any rate he went some to the north, east and west. He were sure the Marco Polo o' Saskatchewan and took in lots o' scenery. Now, like most Irishmen, he were a good feeder and plum enjoyed gettin' a snack together that would choke a horse. This same fact made it plain that he had to do a lot o' huntin' and fishin'."

"I was hikin' around in that part o' the world when I stumbled into Joe's shack one night about supper time. Joe was sure glad to have some body to talk to, and he did not forget to start the fire and get a meal on top o' the stove. Some grub, what I mean. He had moose, fish, 'bar,' and some o' the trimmings to go with it. That table was sure soothin' to look at, arter he were all deked out, and my mouth were so full o' grub I couldn't say 'boo' to a cat."

"It were some time arter that, when things were cleaned up, that Joe fell to talkin' about this, that and the other. The wa-wa got to gape, and here Joe spread himself. Seems as how all the game in the Northwest were right here, and Joe was gettin' his share. Hyu muck-muck, stop this place, big grub pile, and all winter to eat it in."

"By the looks o' the table I believed the most he said, but when he said he could get

I looked up. The clerk in charge, with his whole flock—men, women and children—stood on the bank. It may sound heartless, but their appearance was so woe-begone and solicitous that I had to drop on to my sled to laugh.

"This," I informed them, when at last I had recovered my speech, "is the first time I ever saw a flock of pelicans in winter watching for fish from the bank of a river."

After a hasty meal I left for Fort Vermilion, fifty miles above. About half way I came upon the camp of a Wood Cree Indian. I knew him to be a good hunter, though of an awkward temper, but very susceptible to flattery. After another meal with him, I turned to the man and said:

"I want you to come in to Vermilion three days from now with two moose."

"Do you think I keep moose tied to trees or in my lodge?" he answered sulkily.

"Keewatin," I replied, "when you go after moose you do not need to find them tied. Once you are on their tracks they know they cannot escape from such a mighty hunter. So they just lie down and wait for you to come up."

Three days later Keewatin arrived with three moose noses and tongues and told me where to find the carcasses. As the spot was as close to Red River as to Vermilion, I sent word to the clerk there to haul in two, while my men went for the third.

Making Keewatin a present, I appointed him head hunter for Red River, telling him to let me know when he was unable to feed my men and I would place him on the list of old and

useless Indians, but that for a few years I should not trouble myself about the lower post. For the next five years there was never a shortage of meat at Red River.

I found when I arrived at Vermilion affairs there badly demoralized. With thirty-five souls to feed, nothing remained in the fort but a little barley. Next morning I went out with five men and showed them how to hunt beaver in the Wintertime. Of the five we killed that day, I sent four to the fort. In the three days I remained to hunt we got sixty-four of the animals. This, with the moose killed by Keewatin, gave us a good start. I next sent for the Beaver Indians camped at Hay River, four days' journey away, and, while I remained in charge, or until September, 1886, we always had a plentiful supply of fresh meat at Fort Vermilion.

During my stay at Vermilion the Hudson's Bay Company had strong opposition. A firm of American traders, the Elmore Company, had established themselves in the district. They had plenty of capital, goods to the value of about \$20,000 and considerable experience in the business.

I determined to recover the trade for the Hudson's Bay Company. Five years later, the last day I was in charge of the post, they offered to sell out at 25 cents on the dollar. Their stocks could have been obtained for about \$5,000, but my successor, advised by the chief inspector, did not accept their offer. They, consequently, extended their operations to Mackenzie River, and a year or two afterward, on advice of the same chief inspector, sold out to the Hudson's Bay Company for \$45,000. Up to that time free traders were unknown in the Mackenzie River district and, had the management continued in the hands of old experienced officers, it would no doubt still have been a long time before the

Hudson's Bay Company met with any opposition in that part of the country.

When the Beaver Indians heard of my arrival at Vermilion they came in with furs to trade. I engaged from among them three hunters for the post and a couple of their young men as meat haulers. Within a week they were bringing in fresh meat, while the regular work of the post—chiefly the building of new boats—went on uninterruptedly.

In my time at Vermilion we grew all the potatoes and vegetables required for our own use, besides a quantity of barley intended mainly for the summer boat service. This we ground in a horse-power mill. At both the Anglican Mission, a mile or so below the fort, and the Roman Catholic Mission, a few hundred yards above it, they always grew plenty of vegetables.

Some distance from the river, on the north side, the Caribou Mountains form the height of land between the waters falling into the Peace River on the south and those flowing into Great Slave Lake on the north. On some of the small streams running south I found colors of gold and heard that prospectors had also panned gold on those running north.

Learning from the Indians that they had observed fish-bones on the shores of a lake on the crest of the Caribou Mountains, I one day put the truth of the report to the test, as it seemed remarkable that fish should be found in a lake at such an altitude, with neither inlet nor outlet to other waters but a small creek tumbling over the rocks.

Taking with me one man, some nets and a few boards, out of which to make a punt, I climbed to the top. I found the lake over five miles long by a mile wide, very deep and filled

with salmon trout, white and jackfish and suckers. But I was even more surprised to find freshwater herring, for I know of no other lake in the Northwest which contains them.

Just before reaching the lake we came upon a splendid caribou stag lying down. I shot him before he could get out of range, and he proved one of the finest specimens I ever saw. Caribou were plentiful on this mountain, which is extensive both in length and breadth. It is capped by a muskeg plain, jackpine here and there and the lake just mentioned.

While at Vermilion I made two Spring trips which I think were the hardest and most dangerous I have ever undertaken in the North Country.

The first was in the Spring of 1884. I left the post on March 30 with one man and a train of dogs. Up until this time the winter had prevailed without a break, but the day after our start a change came and it thawed day and night. For miles at a stretch we traveled knee-deep in snow and water. Then in places the ice began to move, which compelled us to pick up a bark canoe and carry it along. When the river was open for a space we ferried the dogs and ourselves across. The canoe being small, we were obliged to make five or six trips each time we encountered open water. The farther up the river we progressed, the more open places we met. Traveling, of course, was slow, and every day the ice became worse. At the mouth of the Smoky and the head of the Lesser Slave Lake trail we found we were following only a narrow ridge of ice in the middle of the river, that along the shores having melted or drifted away. Being bound for Lesser Slave Lake, we were only too glad to reach the bank. And none too soon, for in another hour all the ice was carried off.

Owing to the length of time we had been on the road, we were now out of provisions. A small, untenanted log house stood on the bank at the forks, a building maintained as a Hudson's Bay Company depot for supplies consigned to posts up the Smoky River. The doors were locked, but, necessity knowing no law, I made a false key, with which we secured entrance. Here we found flour and lard and baked some bannocks. Next day we started about for Lesser Slave Lake, seventy-five miles distant. I obtained the supplies we had come for and we started back with carts. When we reached the river Summer appeared to have arrived, neither snow nor ice being visible. We made a large raft and expected to have smooth sailing on the run down.

All went well until 10 o'clock of the second night. It was pitch dark and we were nearing the mouth of Cadotte River, the rapids being plainly audible, when I told my man I would snatch a couple of hours' sleep before taking my turn on watch.

Luckily, disturbed by the sound of the rapids, sleep eluded me. We appeared so long in passing the mouth of the Cadotte that I arose, at length, only to find that we were in the midst of a field of ice and not moving at all. We hurried ashore and tried the raft, deciding to await daylight to reveal our situation. Two hours later, with a terrific noise, the water began to rush like a mill race. We had run into an ice-jam, the jam had burst and morning disclosed our raft high and dry. To float the raft and prepare for a fresh start took us the whole day. Twice more before reaching Vermilion we ran into ice-jams, but, by good luck, got safely home.

The second trip to which I have referred was made next Spring.

I received a letter from the chief factor at Fort Chipewyan asking me, if possible, to come down to see him on important business. This letter was brought to me on March 31 and I left the following day. We had had no warm weather and the snow was still as dry as in mid-winter.

That night a warm west wind blew up and it commenced to thaw steadily. Before I reached Chipewyan the snow had gone and the ice on the lakes was covered with water. My stay at the post was limited to one night and I started on my return. The trail kept to the ice of two lakes for about seventy-five miles, then followed a portage of thirty-five miles overland to the Peace River and ice for the remaining forty miles to Red River post.

When we reached the Peace the ice was still solid in the middle, but along either shore the water ran swiftly. To enable us to reach the trail on this centre ice we felled a large pine tree for an improvised bridge. During the whole of that day's travel I failed to find a place where we could make the shore. The sky was clouded, a drizzling rain fell and it was impossible for us with any certainty to judge the ice.

I was ahead on snowshoes when I dropped suddenly through. In the rapid current, and until my man could throw me a line, I was forced to exert myself to the utmost to avoid being drawn under by my snowshoes. Once safely on the ice again, I saw that we, by some means, and immediately, must land. We went to the solid edge and, when a block of floating ice large enough to carry us both came past, we jumped aboard and, using our snowshoes as paddles, at length reached shore thirty miles below Red River post, cold, wet and miserable. Driftwood was plentiful on the bank and we soon were drying ourselves before a huge fire and a little later sat down to eat our last remaining food.

I had six small charges for my gun in my powder horn and, just before dark, bagged two mallards with one shot. Early next morning I shot a beaver, and, in the evening, another. We now had plenty of meat, with three charges of powder remaining. We reached Red River, stopped overnight and then struck across country for Fort Vermilion, fifty miles away. Ducks were numerous and, crossing a large swamp, I killed a large black bear. The weather, when we arrived at Vermilion, was already like Summer and, the ground being free of frost, we proceeded at once to put in our seed.

I remained in charge of Vermilion until September, 1886, when I took a six months' furlough to visit my friends in Eastern Canada after an absence of thirty-three years in the wilds of the Northwest. During that time there had been two halfbreed risings in the prairie country, but the West is so vast and I had been so much farther north that I had scarcely heard of them.

A Jolly Big Man

(From The Toledo Blade)

A news dispatch sent out by the Associated Press says that a jolly big man has just celebrated his seventy-first birthday at his summer home at Murray Bay, Quebec. The jolly big man is William Howard Taft, Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

Despite four strenuous years in the White House, notwithstanding bitter personal and political opposition which defeated him for reelection, and bearing up under weight of years of somewhat impaired health, Chief Justice Taft not only continues to be jolly, but after three score and ten turns off more work than when he was younger. There is no secret about the two sources of the fountain of his youthful spirits. One is in contact with his friends and neighbors and family and in the enjoyment of playing with his grandchildren. The other is in adhering closely to the advice of his physicians in routine of diet and exercise. This involves self-restraint and self-discipline for one who enjoyed vigorous pursuits and a well-set table, but the jolly big man was wise enough and strong enough to effect a readjustment which, his multitude of friends hope, will assure him of many more sweet and useful years.

"We goes to where the 'bar' had been, and there on the bank o' the said stream were a pile o' the nicest trout you ever seed. There were about two hundred pounds all right, maybe a few more or less. The best part of the whole thing were: them fish were all cleaned."

"Piffer, you're a danged liar," snorts Shorty.

"Well, Joe tells me that if we had waited—"

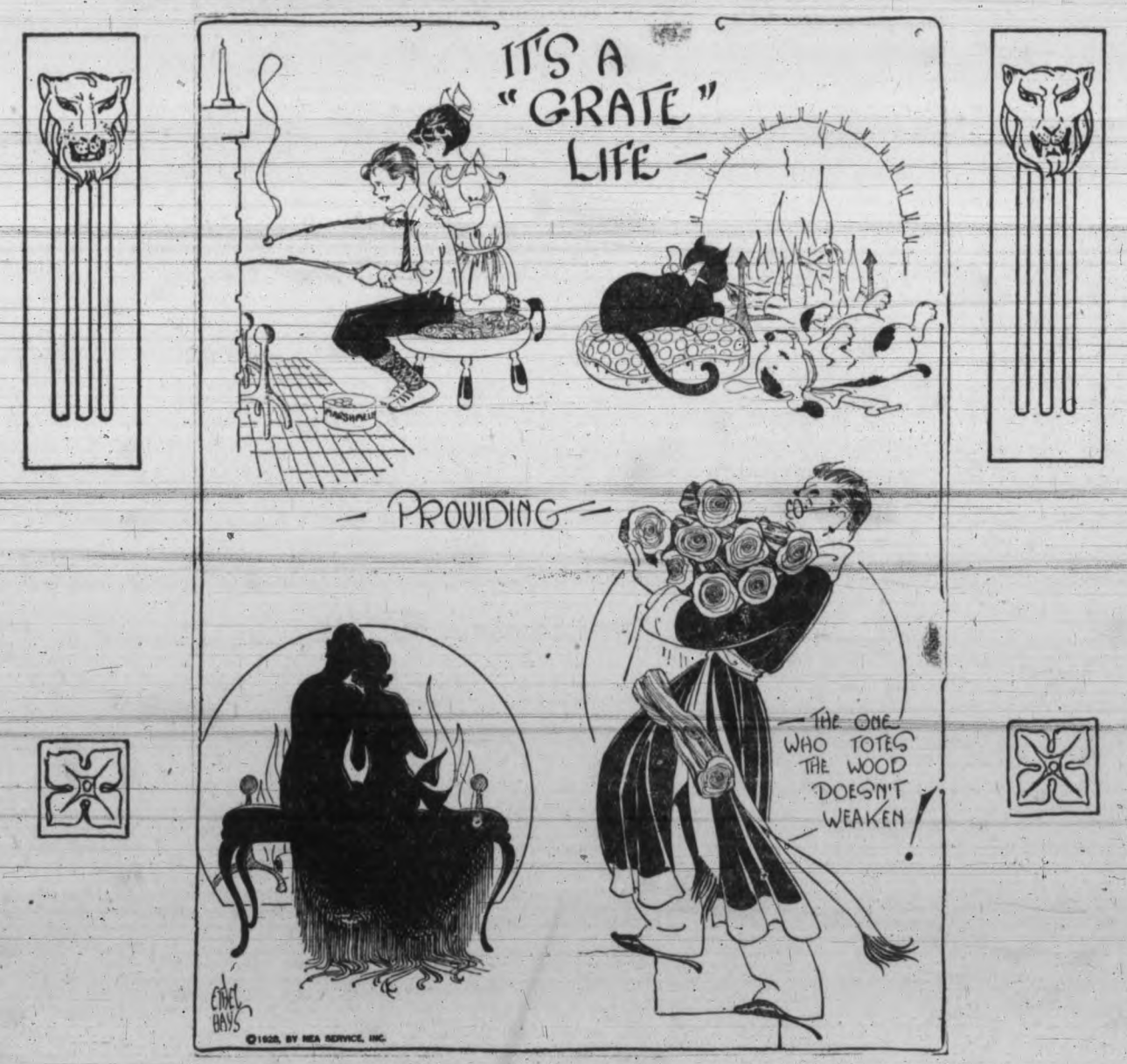
Piffer hesitated.

"What, you old fossil?" exclaimed Sourdough.

"That 'bar' would have brought the fish up to the cabin," Piffer said as he went around the corner.

ASTONISHING ACTIVITY OF MR. BELLOC

A feature of the Autumn literary season which calls for comment is the amazing output of Mr. Belloc. This year he has published five books: "Many Cities," "A History of England, Vol. III," "James the Second," "How the Reformation Happened," and "A Conversation With an Angel." And didn't he do something in conjunction with Mr. Chesterton? And will there be one or two more before the year closes?



A PAGE OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Fashions, Fads, Fancies and Home Life

What Is an Ideal Wardrobe?

It Contains Some Costumes Suitable to Several Uses, Says Patou, Citing Suits, Ensembles and Lace Gowns

By JEAN PATOU

Paris, Dec. 22.—I know of many women who spend a considerable sum of money each year at their couturiers, yet who somehow never convey the impression that they are able to do so. They do not look as perfectly dressed as they should. There are, on the other hand, women who spend considerably less, yet who contrive to dress perfectly. By this I mean that wherever you happen to meet them, they never attract attention because they are dressed as they should be for the "milieu" in which they are seen.

The only conclusion to draw from these observations is that in the constitution of her wardrobe lies the secret of the perfectly dressed woman.

ONE DRESS FOR TWO

I am well aware that a woman cannot possibly find time to change her clothes whenever she changes her occupation or pastime, but what many women lack or forget when planning a very complete wardrobe is a transitional type of dress serving two purposes. They will buy the exact type of sports suits, luncheon ensemble, afternoon dress and evening gown, and while each is perfect in its proper sphere, none can be made to overlap. Each type of dress is characteristic of the couturier's idea and fills the requirements they were intended for, but what escapes many women is the need for an ensemble or two suitable for two different occasions.

There are afternoon coats, for example, suitable for a late morning's shopping. Yet worn over the right kind of dress, such a coat should not look out of place at a smart restaurant tea party. The main idea is to avoid looking over-dressed while carrying on a shopping expedition and yet look appropriately garbed for a social function with the mere gesture of throwing back the wrap.

The return of the dressy tailored suit is a feature of fashion I welcome with great pleasure. Although women had abandoned it for a few seasons, the suit is, in my opinion, one of the very becoming expressions of the mode. Although it has some point of resemblance to its more sporting prototype, the dressy "tailleur," granted it is made of appropriate material and completed by a well-chosen blouse, never looks out of place even in the dressiest of afternoon functions. This type of suit must be completed by an expensive fur neckpiece.

An important point to remember is that in fashions, as in any other form of decorative art, there are half-shades or tones. By this a woman will readily understand that between the dressy afternoon frock and the formal evening gown the medium to achieve is the simple evening frock serving two purposes.

LACE A GOOD CHOICE

It must be sufficiently simple to do for an informal dinner party either at home or in a fashionable restaurant and still look as though it could never be worn at an afternoon function. This is one of the fine points that have to be mastered by women if they want to attain perfection in dress.

The formal evening gown is just as

much out of place at a simple evening function as it would be if worn in the afternoon. The thing is to know just exactly what to wear not to look out of place in any circumstances. There are very few women who possess this instinct, but when you do meet one, you single her out instantly.

A simple lace dress is one of the wisest choices for a dinner gown. Here you have the required "half-tone" and the dress cut on "evening" lines. This is a very happy vogue and one I have experienced great pleasure in expressing in my collection.



An afternoon ensemble any wardrobe would welcome is of green velvet, with pekin trim. Different blouses change its character.



Equally handsome for dinner or dance is a Patou cream colored satin gown, of unique cut and a stunning topaz and diamond pin.

Styles Show a Yellow Streak



Youthful and gorgeous is a canary yellow faille taffeta gown from Lanvin. It achieves sweet lines, even though it is bouffant, by the use of circular tiers of matching silk tulle for its full skirt. Its neckline is unusual, an irregularly shaped decolletage embroidered in pearls that continue their chic way to simulate the ends hanging down from the lowest corner of the neckline. An amazingly large bow lets its ends touch the floor on one side.

Parisian Couturier Installs Bar In His Salon



The difficult task of selecting a frock is made easier, and the tedious wait for alterations is lightened by this cocktail bar in the fitting rooms of Jean Patou, Parisian couturier. Here's the bartender and a fair client.

By MINOTT SAUNDERS

Paris, Dec. 22.—"Madame, while we are making this little alteration in your frock, won't you step down to the bar and take a cocktail?"

Any time, any day, this unusual invitation may be heard in the luxurious fitting rooms of Jean Patou, popular Parisian couturier. His latest specialty

is a cocktail bar, with polished counter, cozy seats, gleaming bottles and a white-coated bartender with an easy smile. Nothing Patou has created in fabric and thread has made such a hit with his fashionable customers as this innovation.

Patou's bar, they say, has filled a long-felt want for women. Those

eternally delays waiting for fittings and alterations; that indecision about what model to choose; that doubt about the price and whether to take just one more or not—these questions now are being decided over the bar, to the tune of clinking ice and glasses. And the affable barman, expert as he should be, always is sympathetic and helpful.

"This is not a bar for men," explained M. Patou, advising a group of fair clients to try the Patou three-piece cocktail, which is his favorite in the drinking line. "I have installed this accommodation for women. Husband and boy friends can do their drinking around the corner. I want this to be a haven of rest and reflection for my clients. Women to-day know and appreciate a good cocktail as much as they do a good frock, and I find that the one stimulates them quite as much as the other."

The three-piece Patou cocktail is served. It contains gin, brandy and something else which the barman keeps a secret. Perhaps it is the Patou system of creation. Anyway, like one of his dresses, the women find it easy to take.

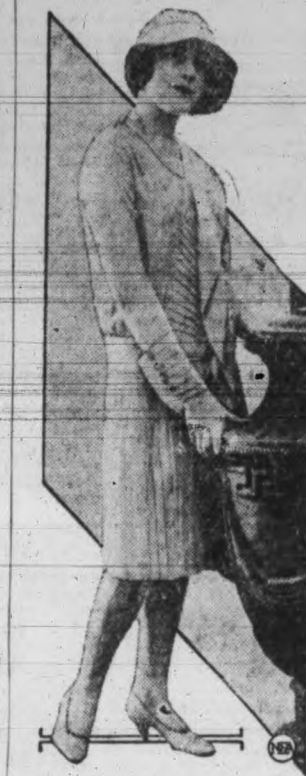
The conversation at Patou's bar is probably the most remarkable ever heard in such a setting. Politics, sports, last night's party and the "best little woman in the world" have no place with these cool glances and gurgling bottles. The dominant theme is dress, words and phrases which, only women can use and appreciate are heard. It is a question of: "Have you seen this one?" rather than, "Have you heard this one?"

A soft little batiste blouse, hand-made, with very fine tucks and a square finished with a rolled edge of black goes with this. It has a soft jabot, with the same rolled edge, and turn back cuffs.

A scarf of black and white and a

Paris Mid-season Collections Hint of the New Spring Mode

Rosette Describes Outfits For Southern Watering Places



Deep yellow buttons, an unusual array of pin tucks and a soft jabot are unusual features on a bright yellow crepe frock created for the Riviera.



A polka dotted crepe de Chine for Palm Beach, pale blue dots on a yellow ground, has a lingerie collar of white organdy and is topped by a pale yellow felt hat trimmed in white.



Bernard and Cie's youthful suit of light beige woolen has a godet wrapover skirt and fastens with bows instead of buttons. A lame blouse makes it into a tea-time suit.

By ROSETTE

Paris, Dec. 22.—Mostly all the mid-season collections that have been shown in Paris lately are composed of creations for smart winter resorts. In the new models you will generally trace the various features, lines, movements of the winter models which have proved popular and successful, all smart women having by now selected their new wardrobe. Besides this, a mid-season collection is always interesting because it indicates the trend Spring fashions are likely to follow.

MODES FOR SPRING

It must seem rather absurd though to even think of what will be fashionable in the Spring before Winter has really started. This happens to be one of the paradoxical sides of this ever-interesting world of fashions. To the uninitiated it may even prove somewhat puzzling, but they must remember that these mid-season collections are shown for the very fortunate women who are able to escape from the rigors of northern Winters and bask in the sunshine of the South.

That these women are few and therefore need specially expensive clothes need not cause the elegant woman who stays at home any pang because she will have to live through the season with gowns chosen from a Winter collection. She can rest assured that her gowns will still be in

the movement and not at all out-of-date.

FEMINE NOTE STRONG

There are many interesting notes to be made on the newer styles. While not so long ago the boyish or "gamin" note was imposed on all and sundry, when we had boyish frocks, Eton crops and masculine sports clothes, the pendulum seems to have swung the other way and we are all affecting the "jeune fille" type.

Longer, fluffier and waving hair has come on with Claudine collars and cuffs, schoolgirl frocks and pinafore effects. There are certain very youthful looking women who can carry this type of dress just as successfully as they did the mannish mode, but the greater majority must avoid this pitfall as never before. It is perhaps more ridiculous to see a stout woman in a short pinafore frock than with a boyish bob and a collar and tie ensemble. Feminine fashions call for just as much, if not more, discriminating powers than any others as too many frills and ruffs can and will prove the undoing of a woman's silhouette.

There is one thing to be said for the new fashions, by the way? The line of demarcation between the young girl's frock and that of her mother is much more noticeable this season than it has been for years. "Youthful" is

no longer the persuasive term used by the enterprising saleswoman. This has been replaced by the "very latest model" because we all were suddenly stricken by the desire for something new. As all the new ideas, however, were expressed in floating panels, pouffes and intricate draperies, there is to-day a definite, simple "jeune fille" style, suitable for the girl of eighteen but not for her mother.

There are two or three creators who excel in these very youthful styles and who always seem to be able to combine the air of simplicity with the cachet of Paris. In Jenny's collection there are some charming coats and frocks in navy blue trimmed with touches of ermine that are very unsophisticated looking and Patou has created afternoon frocks in his new colors as well as juvenile lace dinner dresses that will give the debutante the feeling that she is not likely to be mistaken for her mother.

The young girl's evening frock has a great air of simplicity this season and there is an enormous difference between her robe de style if she adopts this type of dress, and that of an older woman's. The décolleté is always modest and the colors suitable to the complexion of eighteen. Pale blue, rose pink, white and a certain shade of blonde tulle seem to be the shades preferred by the arbiters of fashion for the debutante's first ball.

Vivid Colors and New Designs Feature Winter Sports Wear

Unusual Fabric Combinations Lend Individuality, Bendel Says



Tweeds, soft kashas, flannels and silks will be seen at Southern beaches. Flared skirts and the high-low collar treatment lend originality.

By HENRI BENDEL

New York, Dec. 22.—Last season sophisticated women became bored with the similarity of all sports clothes. Then they, along with everything in the realm of women's clothing had a renaissance of romantic individuality.

This Winter's sports things reveal a tremendous success along that line.

Colors combine that never would have looked right a few years ago. Fabrics match up with silks. Woolens grow so fine and beautiful that they are pliable as chiffon.

The result is extremely satisfactory. The impetus given to originality in design is noticeable not only in cut of clothes but in the patterns of materials from which they are made.

Broken stripes, fine little novelty shepherd's checks, geometrically printed designs, varied polka dots, pebbly colored patterns and real, old-fashioned plaids are with us.

NEW FABRIC COMBINATIONS

Tweeds, hand-woven jerseys, soft kashas, flannels, crepe, flat silks and velveteen will all go South this Winter in chic wardrobe.

To top this, nothing could be more appropriate than a little Agnes Turban draped in a sophisticated manner. It is fashioned of one of the new women silk meshes that are so pliable they make admirable media for hats.

A four-piece sports ensemble uses yellow, black and white in a novel way. Black crepe fashions a gown, with a wide front centre seam.

YOUR CHILDREN

by Olive Roberts Barton

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Every child should have a certain amount of privacy—of room, time, and ownership.

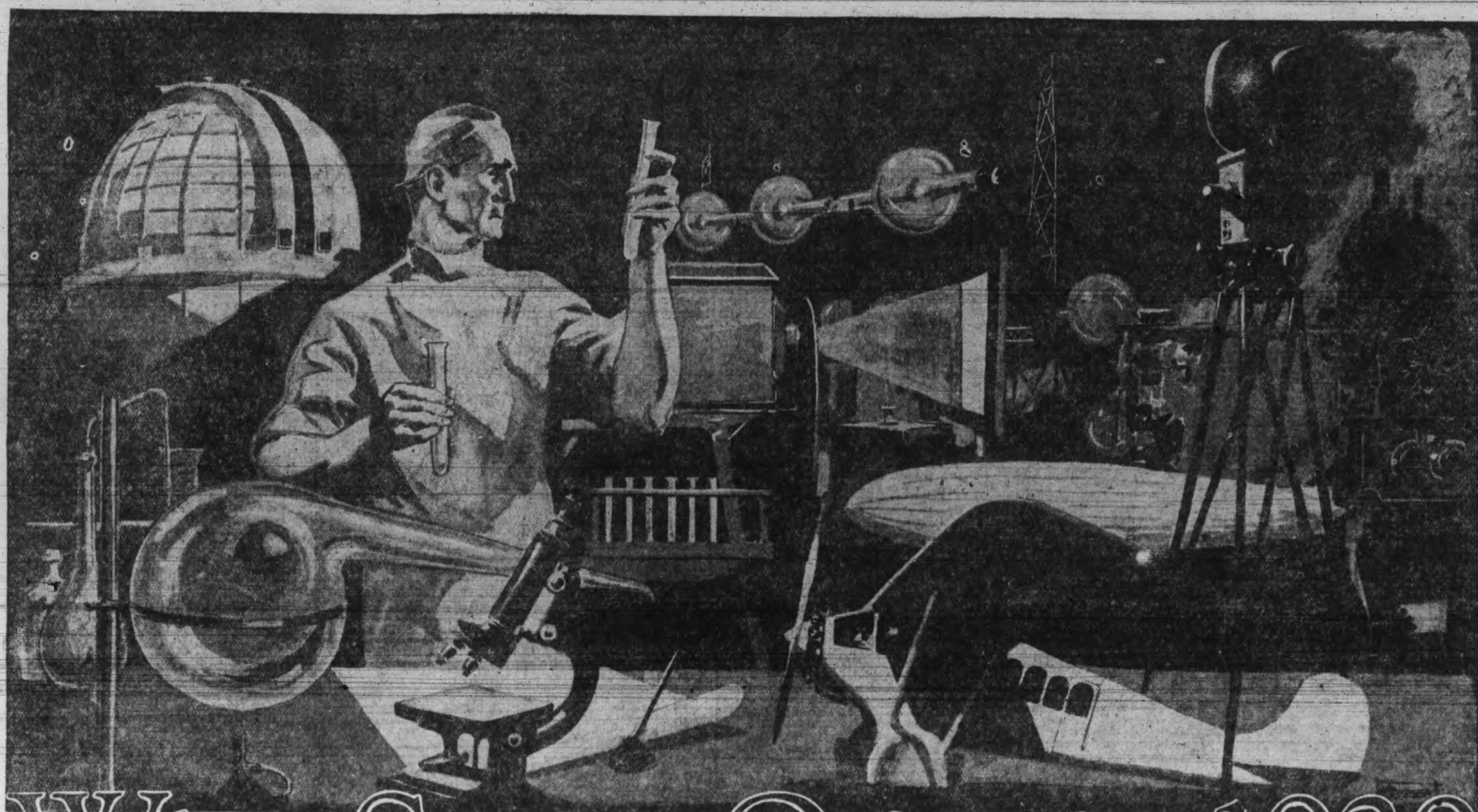
In a house where there is more than one child it is not possible, often, to give each a room to himself. Yet we often see homes with two or three children in one room so that the family can have a guest-chamber that lies idle almost from one year's end to the other.

Too often it is the biggest, sunniest room in the house.

Babies and young children, according to the time-honored custom, are persistently regarded as "extra" in the family budgeting of space, and often are given an odd bed in some corner of a room occupied by other people. As they get older the thought of room space is given more consideration. It should be reversed, however. No one in the family needs a room to himself so much as the baby. This, of course, is for reasons of health.

I also should give every growing boy and girl in the house what might be called "privacy of time." That is, a certain part of every day, be it only an hour, to read or walk or play without interference from others. He needs it. We all need a few minutes to ourselves now and then—for our own souls' sake, we might say.

It all comes to this: children have rights that should be respected.



What Science Offers for 1929

DISTANT universes beyond the range of the most powerful telescopes—minute systems of life and matter below the range of the most powerful microscopes—and mysterious intricacies of human thought entice the scientists as they plan their researches for 1929. The great unknowns beckon them onward, the wonders of seemingly familiar things promise more ease, riches, and knowledge for the world.

Upon a California mountain during the coming year there will be laid the foundations for a giant among telescopes to give the world a new eye capable of seeing with greater clarity the structure of the cosmos in which the earth is but a speck of dust.

Millions of dollars will be spent in building great mountings for the new immense telescope, quadruple in light-gathering power of any that men have hitherto attempted. Over 31,000 square inches of carefully polished reflecting surface—the looking glass of universes—weighing tons and promising to reveal millions of stars now existent only in scientific suppositions, will be prepared for mounting two or three years hence in the observatory to begin gazing this Summer in Southern California.

This new 200-inch telescope will dwarf the present 100-inch telescope on Mt. Wilson and it will continue the exploration of space and the discovery of new universes so amazingly begun by Dr. George Ellery Hale and his astronomical disciples. Turned on the moon and the planets it will bring them closer to earth and add to our knowledge of our cosmic neighbors.

Light and other radiation, such as the cosmic rays, are the only means of communication between the earth and the other bodies in space. The messages from the stars show that the matter of all space is made up of elements that exist on earth.

Physicists, astronomers and chemists for theoretical and practical reasons are pursuing the structure of matter, trying to find out what makes the atoms, molecules and electrons behave as they do.

TO SMASH the tight bonds of the atom, to break open its nuclear heart, powerful bombardments with millions of volts of electricity propelling atomic projectiles, are to be let loose upon matter this year. Already in the laboratories of the Department of Terrestrial Magnetism of the Carnegie Institute of Washington, 5,000,000 volts have been generated for this purpose.

Unsuspected qualities in familiar everyday substances may be discovered. Strange things may happen when the heart of matter is successfully unlocked. One element may change into another. Matter may be synthesized out of electricity.

From the outer reaches of space, cosmic rays, extremely penetrating radiation, bring the news of the actual creation of the elements. Dr. R. A. Millikan, the famous physicist, has concluded as a result of his studies.

Combine powerful telescopes and mighty attacks on the atom and there may result, this year or in the near future, novel and useful conceptions of how the things about us are put together.

What is life is a puzzling question. In the mysterious world beyond the microscope it is difficult to tell whether an effect is due to a mere chemical or a living organism. Invisible foes of harmful disease germs, known by their actions alone, have been discovered and called bacteriophages. Or, are they, as some scientists contend, mere chemical actions?

One bold idea suggests that here is contemporaneous creation of life, an everlasting evolution, with molecules gathering together and becoming alive. The coming year may see one of the researches upon this problem progress so as to allow startling conclusions.

In the strange phenomenon of the bacteriophage, eater of bacteria, investigated by Dr. F. d'Herelle, who has just become a Yale University professor, there may lie the doom of diseases that now afflict mankind.

Cholera cases in India were cured by a capsule of the

Five Million Volts to Break Up the Atom, a Giant Telescope to Mirror Invisible Stars, Improved Radio Vision and Talking Movies, Sugar From Wood, Gasoline and Oil From Coal, New Uses for Cellulose and Lignin Products, and Safer Flying Among the Marvels Promised by Scientists Probing Every Riddle of Life

By WATSON DAVIS — — — Decoration by PAUL KROESSEN

proper bacteriophage prepared by Dr. d'Herelle. Dysentery can be fought successfully with it. Other diseases in coming months may be attacked by bacteriophage enemies with life-saving results.

TWO of the most plentiful raw materials in the world are coal and cellulose. Most people consider coal fit only for burning, and wood, the principal source of cellulose, useful only for building. But the chemist has peered the black lumps of prehistoric sunshine veritable storehouses of riches.

Before the war, dyes, medicines, perfumes and a multitude of chemicals had been obtained from coal tar. Now chemists are making gasoline, lubricating oils, fat foods, as well as the more familiar products from the dirty stuff.

The essence of wood, cellulose, is also proving to be a magician in common clothes. From it glucose sugar—food for men and pigs—can be made. The transformed wood waste of forests will soon compete with the carbohydrate of more conventional foodstuffs, such as corn, potatoes, sugar beets, etc.

The coming months will see an intensified interest, scientifically and commercially, in the new chemistry of cellulose. The experiments of Dr. Friedrich Bergius, of Heidelberg, famed for his hydrogenizing and liquefying of coal, in making carbohydrate from wood will be watched with interest in America, which has so much waste cellulose materials.

Cellulose is not the only material that is wasted when wood is thrown away. Lignin, a sister of cellulose for which practically no use has been found, is challenging chemists to be put to work. Every piece of woody material contains much of it.

Farsighted scientists see for lignin a career similar to that of cellulose. In 1929 the secrets of lignin's structure and possibilities may be discovered. Then a race between cellulose and lignin may begin. Cellulose, basic material of lacquers, rayon, explosives, photographic film, celluloid, and a vast multitude of other things, has a long start, but lignin may at least get started in 1929.

POWER makes the modern world of industry go round.

No vast changes in power sources can take place in the short period of a year or even a decade. But the way may be pointed in 1929 to new methods of power production.

Future generations after the coal and oil are gone, may use the warm surface of the seas and the cold of their depths to produce their power. Such experiments, seriously and carefully planned, will be made during 1929.

Among the new tools of science that may give rise to new industrial processes or scientific discoveries is the cathode ray. Research laboratories are now installing cathode ray tubes and equipment next to their X-ray apparatus. The cathode rays have remarkable effects on some substances, changing their character, and scientists are anxious to discover just how they can be applied.

The possibility of influencing the course of evolutionary development in plants and animals by the use of heavy X-ray doses, which was spectacularly demonstrated at the University of Texas, the University of California, and elsewhere during the past year or two, will be carried far toward practical application in agriculture and animal breeding. At the University of California facilities for raying seeds and other material have been set up, and experiments in all parts of the country will

send in material for treatment. It will then be returned to them, for culture in their own laboratories or experimental grounds. The production of new varieties of plants and animals has been speeded up a hundred fold in preliminary experiments, and it is reasonable to expect that at least a part of this advantage will remain when practical application is begun.

THIS year will see an expansion of aeronautics which will dwarf even the boom years since Lindbergh. Air mail lines, aided by airways lighted by night and marked by radio by day, will spin more activating webs over the country. The five-cent airmail stamp will become almost as common as its red two-cent brother.

Realizing upon the pioneering of the Graf Zeppelin and her predecessors, a demonstration airship mail route across the Atlantic will probably be established during 1929 or the following year, wafting urgent letters and packages and a few passengers from continent to continent in two to three and a half days.

The Graf Zeppelin will pay a return call to the United States, and the two larger British ships—the R-100 and the R-101—will try their gas bags over the Atlantic.

Over the unknown Antarctic the aeroplanes of Byrd and Wilkins will purr their exploring way. Blank areas on maps will take on the contours and outlines of a bleak continent. Or should we say continents—for these great explorers may find that the South Pole region is really composed of two great continental islands surrounded by frigid seas.

There will be no such wholesale tragedy as characterized the Noble venture of last Summer. Crashes and losses there may be, but the careful plans of these modern geographers guarantee more than an even break with the exacting luck of the polar regions.

To the aeroplane, just twenty-five years young, 1929 will bring quiet and safety. Experiments now underway make it probable that the troublesome noise of the engine will be conquered to such an extent that air travel will no longer be a major menace to the ears.

The whistle of the wind and the whirr of the propellers may still notify earth travelers that the air transport is above them, but the noise menace will be greatly reduced on aeroplanes equipped for that purpose. More general use of the slotted wing which prevents the dangerous stall of aeroplanes at a low speed, which would otherwise cause the aeroplane to become uncontrollable, will add to aviation's safety. The trials of new designs in the Guggenheim safety competition are expected to show other new safety devices that may become incorporated into aircraft of the future.

IN THE year that is just ending, sound conquered the movies and sight began a conquest of the radio. Talking movies, assured and developed by the careful and unspectacular laboratory work of the past five years, have revolutionized over night, as it were, a skeptical industry. The revolution is still in its infancy. The coming year will see the talkies more mature, more confident and more ready to use the theatrical devices that make special appeal to the ear.

Radiovision, having achieved reality during 1928 through regularly scheduled broadcasts by a half-dozen stations, will blossom in 1929 into a real adjunct to the sound broadcasting.

To the thousands who have pioneered already by making their own radiovisors there will be added those

who will be able to purchase, this coming year, factory-built radio sets equipped for both sound and sight reception. It is probable that the presidential inauguration on March 4 will be broadcast for the eye as well as the ear.

Disasters are always with us. For 1929, three to four cyclones, tornadoes, hurricanes or other severe storms, two to three fire disasters, and two to three major floods can be predicted on the basis of the experience of the United States will be visited by a severe earthquake. Throughout the world a dozen earthquakes a day will occur, each of such magnitude as to be recorded on some of the seismographs in various parts of the world.

Insects and men are continually at war. Unhappily the hosts aligned against the human race, minute and silent as they may seem, are formidable in numbers and methods. Seldom, if ever, does man exterminate an insect enemy. Often, despite thousands of entomological scientists in the field and millions of dollars expended, the insects capture and infect extensive territories.

The corn borer army, firmly entrenched in the northeastern edge of the great corn belt, threatens to make gains this coming year. Agriculturists admit that sooner or later it will conquer the great corn belt. The farmers will have to learn to live and cultivate in spite of it, just as they have overcome the presence of other insect pests that cannot be driven from the country.

ASTRONOMERS are fortunate in being able to predict to the minute just when many of the phenomena which they observe will occur. Two solar eclipses are on the 1929 programme, one on May 9, when the totally darkened sun will be observed by eclipse expeditions in Sumatra, the Malay Peninsula, French Indo-China and the Philippines, and the other an annular eclipse on November 1, visible in Africa.

The total eclipse will be one of those rare opportunities for studying the sun's corona, but the annular eclipse in which the sun is not completely covered by the moon will not be of much scientific interest.

Venus will receive astronomical honors early in the year because of its brilliance. Mars will be occulted, or obscured, by the moon on March 18.

Since it has been some years since a really good comet, visible to the naked eye, has provided a public spectacle, the astronomers are hoping that one will turn up this coming year. It is safe to predict there will be a normal crop of minor comets, some new, some old.

THE study of man's own evolution, both in the older phases that come under the head of paleontology, and in the more recent aspects which we call archaeology, may be expected to continue to the accelerated rate it has enjoyed since the World War.

The places to look for things really new, and perhaps startling, in the early history of our race are interior China, Alaska and Africa. The recent finds in Mongolia indicate what may be expected from diggings farther south as soon as conditions in China proper have become sufficiently stabilized to permit field parties to operate without fear of interference.

That the Sahara and Kalahari deserts in Africa were grasslands tens of thousands of years ago, and hence good homes for primitive man, is now well recognized. These tracts have yielded human remains of high antiquity and great interest, and may be expected to surrender more secrets when they are more systematically attacked. Alaska and the adjacent tip of Asia will tell the story of the migration of the Indians.

Psychologists will continue to probe the human mind during the coming year. Their task is perhaps the most difficult of all in the realm of science. Important facts about the mechanism of animal behavior, may be found which, when applied, will make us happier and wiser human beings.

A PAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

EVEN RADIO AERIALS WILL NOT STOP SANTA CLAUS THIS CHRISTMAS

Genial Old Father Christmas Is Practicing Hard to Get
Down the Chimneys of the World of Homes

"Oh dear! I shall never get used to these radio aerials," said a stout good-natured old gentleman to a band of fairies who danced around in a ring and chuckled with laughter, as good Old Father Christmas climbed over and around a set of roof tops at his home where he had rigged up a number of aerials "to practise for Christmas Eve," as he said.

One roof was made to represent a small cottage, with the aerial wire spreading like a clothesline across the roof, and out to a fence post at the back. Another roof was like that of an apartment hotel, with such a crisscross of wires that it would bother a fairy, let alone a stout old gentleman, to find a way through them.

"I thought chimney crows were the worst barriers that I ever saw," Santa Claus told the fairies. "But I do declare these aerial wires will drive me crazy. How am I going to get to the chimney tops with such a mess of wires stretching out to trip me?"

"We could sit on the aerials, and light them up for you, Santa," said one little fairy, and so it was arranged. For the next few days Santa Claus practiced hard at his aerial wire entanglements, until he became surprisingly quick at dodging in and out and around the wires. Then he put in a few hours going up and down chimneys, so that he could do it noiselessly, he explained, on the great night.

When the fairies promised to light up the aerial wires for Santa Claus they had undertaken a tall order. For out of every ten houses round and about most cities, six roofs had not only one aerial, but a network of them, running this way and that in all directions.

But the fairies always keep their promises, and so they banded together to do their share of the work well. The red fairies were to go to private houses; the green fairies to hotels; blue fairies to apartment houses, for

these were the tiniest of fairies, and the most nimble, and so on.

To make sure all would be well the fairy queen called a rehearsal one night, and every aerial in the whole wide world glowed with the tiny light of fairy lanterns. To the dwellers in the homes these lights looked like the glimmering of the aerial wires in the moonlight, but it was enough for Billie Blinkie, who makes his rounds each night with the sack of sleeping sand for children.

"How did it work?" asked the fairy queen, when Billie Blinkie returned on the night of the rehearsal.

"It couldn't have been better. Every aerial was like a ribbon of light, and the light even showed where the chimney tops stood, and which were the best and widest," said the Sandman.

A little while later Santa Claus, sitting with a great big list in front of him, crossed off another note from his list. It was headed: "How to avoid falling over wires on roofs," and this problem had been solved by the aid of the fairies.

There was another problem for old Father Christmas, but this was one he was more used to facing. It was how to get down every chimney in the world without making the slightest noise. But years and years of practice had made Santa Claus unusually spry at this, and though he made a note of the fact, he really did not worry much about it.

Then there were the reindeer teams to be seen to. Every year Santa Claus used the same teams, for these knew the route, and were as fast as lightning in getting around it. The reindeer were fed and groomed until they shone with the gloss of their coats, and looked sleek and happy. Two and two in their stalls they stood, and munched contentedly at the food placed there for them.

Last, but by no means least, Santa Claus checked over the list of packages that he was to carry on the great

night, and the list of little boys and girls who he was going to visit. This list was a very large list indeed, for it included nearly every child in the world; for no matter how bold they had been during some part of the year, almost everyone of them had been as good as gold as the great day approached.

"Please the children, and you can make the whole world happy," Santa Claus said to Billie Blinkie and Billie nodded sleepily, for after his rounds he was tired and would presently sleep for eighteen hours or more.

At last the great time drew near. The moon shone bright and clear on Christmas Eve, and snow covered a great part of the world. Even in the warmer countries great clouds of snow floated in the sky, and on this the reindeer were to travel.

Such a scurrying took place as the night drew on, that it would be hard to imagine, let alone describe. The reindeer were brought out of their stalls, the great sleigh was loaded and all was put in readiness for Santa Claus. Santa Claus checked over his list again for the last time, and indeed he knew by memory by this time, and was soon ready. Away out in front, Billie Blinkie had gone flying, and long before Santa Claus was due to arrive each child would be fast asleep.

The moon wore a great round smile, as, with a jingle of sleigh bells, the reindeer picked up their feet and raced away through the sky. Seated, read-coated and cheery, at the reins was good old Father Christmas, on his way to make everyone as happy as could be. And if you wish to know how he succeeded, wait until you open your eyes on Christmas morning!

FOLLOWED THE COW

The new farm hand was ploughing, and as the furrows were very uneven, the farmer told him to look at something at the other end of the field as a guide.

"That cow by the gate," he said, "is right opposite us. Now, work straight for her."

"Right you are, sir," said the man. Returning later, the farmer found that the plough had been traveling all over the field.

"What's the meaning of this?" he demanded.

"I did what you told me, sir. I worked straight for the cow, but the creature wouldn't keep still!"

Pit Boy Makes Good in Canada

A boy who was working in a Durham pit only eighteen months ago has just won a competition to determine the best young farmer in Ontario, Canada. The boy, Sidney Wrightson, is only eighteen years of age, and before going to Canada had no experience of farming. He was employed at a colliery before leaving his home in Fence Houses, and educated himself with the hope of entering the office of the company employing him. The condition of the coal industry at that time, however, held out no hopes for him, and Sidney emigrated to Canada in order to take work on a farm.

Fountain Pens Used Long Ago

Who invented the fountain pen? Lewis Waterman was a late comer in the field when he applied for a patent in 1883.

Excavations in an Egyptian tomb dating back more than 4,000 years, according to the journal of the Patent Office Society, revealed an early form of fountain pen. The primitive instrument consisted of a section of reed of the diameter of a lead pencil, about three inches in length and mounted on a long piece of copper.

The nib of the pen was cut away to a fine point like an ordinary quill pen. The narrow tube of the reed served to hold in reserve a small quantity of the writing fluid, whatever it may have been.—Tit-Bits.

HIS STRATEGY

Charlie had eaten a good many apples. His mother, thinking he had had enough, said:

"Now, Charlie, only one more, so take your pick."

To her surprise the boy selected the smallest apple on the dish and proceeded to eat it.

About five minutes later Charlie said:

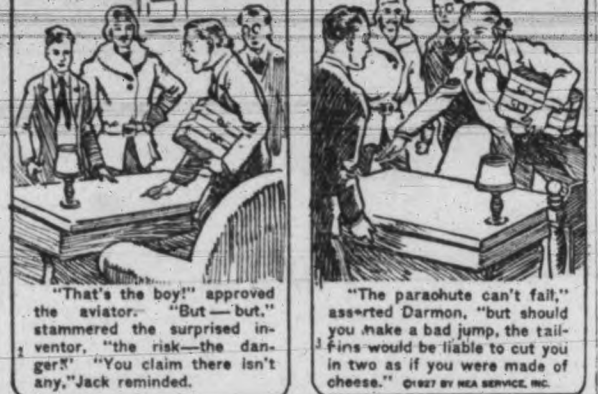
"Mummy, you know that baby apple I ate?" Well, it's crying for its mother!

Jack Lockwill In the Air

By GILBERT PATTEN
(Creator of Frank Merriwell)



"The blueprints are locked up in my vault," said Darmon. "I didn't dare apply for a patent after I caught a rascally patent-lawyer trying to rob me. Who can I trust?" "You can trust me, sir," Lockwill told him, taking a step forward. "Let me go with Lieutenant Moore and make the demonstration. You know me, and I will jump from the plane." "Bravo!" cried the lieutenant.



"That's the boy!" approved the aviator. "But—but," stammered Darmon, "the risk—the danger?" "You claim there isn't any," Jack reminded.



Lockwill smiled. "Trust me, Mr. Darmon," he urged. "I'll make no slip, for I shall follow Lieutenant Moore's instructions to the letter." "Then go ahead, and God bless you, my boy!" cried the inventor, turning the package over to Jack and clapping his hand with a fervent grip. "Come on, my lad," said the aviator. "We must be off without further delay. Let's go!" s-s. (To Be Continued.)

POST OFFICE CATS ARE TOP-NOTCHERS JOHNNY MOUSE FINDS

The Adventurous Mouse Visited a Strange Territory,
But as There Was No Vacancy for Him, He Did
Not Stay There

When Johnny Mouse hopped into the mail chute in the apartments above his house in the general store and posted himself by mistake last week, he went for a very rough ride in the centre of a big pile of letters in a mail sack. The postal car rocked and swayed as it tore along the streets, stopping for a few seconds at the various boxes, and on again in a hurry.

When the car arrived at the post office, the sack in which Johnny Mouse lay was thrown smartly on to a pile of other sacks for sorting. At last Johnny Mouse was at rest!

As soon as he had recovered a little from the swaying and jolting of the ride, Johnny Mouse began to take stock of his new prison. The sack was made of stout canvas, tough to the teeth of even a mouse, but not beyond being bitten through, for all that Johnny Mouse could almost creep out of the top of the sack where an iron ring was padlocked through eyelets which held the mail bag closed; almost, but not quite. Thereupon he fell to work to eat his way out of the sack.

It was bitter work, but as freedom lay ahead, Johnny Mouse applied his sharp teeth to the nearest portion of the mail sack, and had soon made a tiny hole. This was not like the brown gummy sack that he knew, for the mail bag was of far stouter material. Still everything has an end, and Johnny Mouse worked on his exit to the sack with such good results that in about half an hour he was able to creep through the opening into freedom.

The room he found himself in then was large and most curiously furnished. Long racks of canvas sacks ten times larger than the one he had freed himself from, were hung in rows. Into these sacks a number of men were throwing handfuls of letters, with a speed that fairly took Johnny's breath away to watch. Indeed he had to step nimbly to avoid being picked up by one of the men and thrown into one of these great sacks.

Just as the sorter dived for the letters, Johnny raced from his hiding place, and darted like a flash under a counter which ran the length of the room on that side. He had no more than hidden himself in this new hiding place, than Johnny Mouse heard a polite cough and saw a handsome mouse staring at him in surprise.

"Pardon me, but you appear to be in trouble," said the mouse, and with half-a-glance Johnny Mouse could see it was no ordinary mouse who had spoken. The new mouse had a well-

groomed appearance, and spoke as if he had lived under this counter all his life.

"A thousand pardons, sir, but I was in great haste. They put me in a mail bag, and I barely escaped with my life," replied Johnny Mouse.

"Tut tut, that was too bad. You did not nibble the mail, I trust?" continued his companion.

"I didn't have time—I had to run for my life," Johnny Mouse answered.

The stranger mouse lifted his eyebrows delicately, and then frowned.

"You must never eat the mail, my friend, that would not be playing the part of a post office mouse," he said.

"Of course," Johnny Mouse agreed, but wondered just the same how this fine fellow grew so fat and sleek, and contented-looking. He did not have long to wait for the answer, though, as his new companion took him on a tour of his home.

"This is what we eat here," said the post office mouse, pointing to where many holes had been eaten in the backs of drawers under the counter, on to stacks and stacks of forms piled on shelves. Blue, white and yellow in color, the papers made an appetizing show, indeed.

"You see," explained the post office mouse, "the white forms are our daily food, the blue we use for state occasions, and the yellow are for visitors such as yourself. It's so simple."

Johnny was too polite to ask for some of the tantalizing forms at that time, but did ask about something that was bothering him a great deal.

"Are there any cats here, sir?" he said.

"Oh, yes, we have a large number of cats, indeed, and all of them are top-notchers, too," said his friend.

"But you need not fear them. Come, I will show you," he added.

Then the post office mouse took Johnny a little further along the corridors under the counter, and invited him to look out on to the main floor of the room.

Johnny counted three cats within his line of vision, but saw that they were in a very torpid and sleepy state.

"These are only a few of the cats, and there are plenty more besides these—but they are all so sleepy that really no self-respecting mouse would give them a second thought. You see the postal clerks on night duty keep the cats moving out of their way, and the day clerks do the same thing. The result is the cats get so tired from want of sleep that they are practically always dozing on their feet," explained the post office mouse.

To prove it Johnny's companion, strolled quietly out into the very centre of the floor where he walked under the noses of each of the three cats in turn. The cats made a half-hearted pounce at the post office mouse, who eluded them easily and chuckled as he strolled slowly back to his hole.

"When I said the cats were all top-notchers, I meant that they would not worry any mouse with even three legs to stand on, let alone four," said the post office mouse, laughing, when he returned.

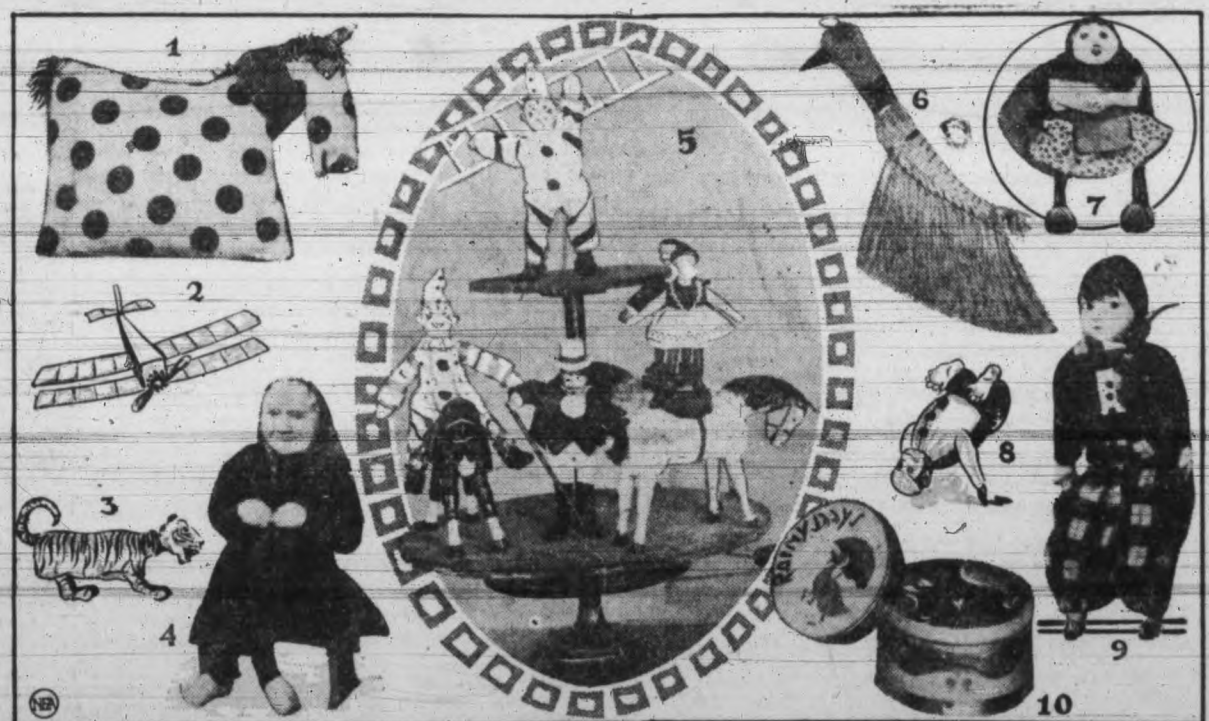
"It is all very nice, of course, but I could never sleep here myself," said Johnny Mouse.

"Oh, you would soon get used to it," replied his friend, "but really, you will excuse me for mentioning it, there is no vacancy for you, and besides you would have to pass an examination."

Johnny Mouse thanked his friend, and was shown out of a private entrance for the post office mice. But what he did next must be left for another occasion.

Santa Gives Modern Parents a Choice

He Has All the Old Toys and Many New Ones, Chosen
For Their Pleasing Effect On Tots



Old Saint Nick packs many new and novel toys this season, such as (1) a calico horse pillow, that is likely to encourage Buddy to take his nap without protest; (2) a mechanical aeroplane flies to a height of twelve feet when wound; (3) an irate tiger, when properly roused, howls and stages a fine fight with a lion, a hippopotamus or any other jungle animal one chooses; (4) a little old Breton peasant woman is an exact replica of a real one, even to facial expression; (5) a two-ring circus proceeds with dispatch when the motor to which it is attached is started; (6) a penguin brush is both a toy and an utility gift; (7) a whole family of wishbone dolls show how little girls dress in European countries; (8) a mechanical monkey stands on his head, runs up a string and altogether delights the very young; (9) a little boy doll from Southern France is colorful and is really charming when he talks; (10) a rainy day box includes moulding wax, bodkin and beads, crayons, a puzzle or two and other things to occupy the mind when the weather makes a tot stay indoors.

New York, Dec. 22—Parents never have had such a wide choice in the Christmas gifts for the children as this year affords.

Old Saint Nick's pack includes gifts ranging from small cost to those that can be had for thousands of dollars. And old Saint Nicholas leaves it entirely up to the parents whether they are old-fashioned and pick the things they used to enjoy when they were children or whether they go extremely modern

and take nothing that does not belong to this motor age.

The decision is, in the last analysis, one of the family exchequer. But, after budgeting that there are certain things that father and mother might consider.

First, for the growing child, it is usually much better to get one or two durable toys, things whose workmanship commands his respect, than a lot of gee-gee's that break at the slightest touch.

TOY EXPERT ADVISES

Second, there is a real psychology of toys. Many stores have experts to advise. If a child is nervous, lacks concentration, shows an inclination to start but never finish things, is irritable at toys that fret him, parents can get pointers from the expert about how certain toys will correct these defects.

Third, there is a lot to be learned from toys. If they can be linked up with the children's school work, like

dolls, animals or other expressions of countries they are studying about, or if they express an urge in a child, as constructing bridges or painting pictures might, so much the better.

Little children, as a rule, like big playthings. Blocks that give them exercise to lift, dolls, dogs and other toys that approach their own size, big-sized picture books and mechanical things that father can run for them. They also love things that float in the tub while they bathe, such as ducks that

quack, fish that wiggle, and so on. Rag dolls, such as a calico horse, are good, too. Kindergartners, whether boys or girls, like about the same thing. They love things that give them physical exercise, such as bicycles, tricycles, scooters, wagons to pull around, wagons made like autos, and so on.

For girls of all ages the market is flooded with dolls. Avariatrix dolls of the modern note. More interesting are dolls that are imported from abroad, authentic replicas of the peasant folk of France and other countries. These teach the children much. There are dolls this year that jazz dolls that sport Mother Goose rhymes, dolls all arch, color, size. And household equipment for doll playing that ranges from a little stove with pots and pans to skyscraper doll house, fully equipped, even with doll wardrobe trunks and frigidaire.

If one can afford them, there are wonderful mechanical things that amuse and educate both boys and girls, such as electric motors that run everything from a three-ring circus to trains with engine, diner, pullmans, and so on, aeroplanes that fly, toy motor boats that speed, fire engines that tear along.

Construction sets are not so expensive and also are instructive, such as bridges, ferris wheels, skyscrapers, and one set will often build many things. Games are an excellent choice for they make the home a neighborhood centre for children. Ping pong, archery sets, shooting galleries, and boxes, boxes of multi-colored modelling clay. Also, if one has a basement or attic, slide or quilts will make a fine playroom of unused space.

REAL TOOL CHESTS

Tool chests should be as fine as one can afford for unless they really enable Sonny or Sister to make things they are a farce. A set of auto tools may teach the young things they will need later when motoring on their own. Garden sets in small sizes may develop a love of flowers that will stand them in good stead later. Fancy dress costumes are appreciated by all children. Pets, especially dogs and cats, are welcome gifts usually. Furniture for the children's room, with low lights, low chairs and low bookcases filled with good books may do much for their mental growth.

It is impossible to generalize about gifts for children. Age, temperament and the kind of things a child is used to all must be considered. But, parents

have an opportunity through their Christmas gifts to make life enjoyable and profitable for children. That is the most enjoyable.

Who's Who in Dogdom—No. 23

Newfoundland Praised For His "Character"



The Newfoundland to-day is a victim of that fickle fancy that governs the popularity of such things as rodenters, tan shoes, wholewheat bread

and breeds of dogs.

Before the late Albert Smith, in his series of Alpine lectures, popularized the St. Bernard, the Newfoundland was the most popular of any of the larger breeds. Now both have given way to the Alsatian.

DIGNITY AND COURAGE

The Newfoundland is most lauded for its "character." Fans of the breed say that do other dog blends dignity, courage, gentleness and good humored sagacity in quite the same way as a well-bred Newfoundland.

These qualities make them extremely well suited to women and children. They have wonderful memories for good or bad treatment.

In his native country, the Newfoundland was invaluable to the fisher folk. Tradition says that few fishing boats ever went to the "banks" without its dog—usually its only means of communicating with land and often proving a life saver in case of a capsizing. The dog to-day, at a seashore or lake, will instinctively make continued efforts to "rescue" bathers.

ALL-BLACKS PREFERRED

There is a preference now for all-black Newfoundlands, although for years after Landseer's famous painting of a black and white Newfoundland, "A Distinguished Member of the Humane Society," the preference was for black and white dogs.

The breed is losing its purity in Newfoundland and the best examples to-day are to be found in America and England.

Week end Cables and Special Dispatches From Across the Atlantic

BALDWIN FINDS HIS PIPE IN MUSEUM CASE

Mrs. Baldwin Sent Briar to Parliament Exhibition, He Learns

London Sees Disraeli's Robes and Wellington's Cocked Hat

London, Dec. 22.—The Prime Minister, Stanley Baldwin, looked long and hard at an ordinary briar pipe lying in a glass case at the London Museum this morning. It was a pipe curiously like the one he had smoked a few weeks ago, with the same stout bowl, decorated stem and black mouthpiece.

He looked up at a museum official who stood smiling beside him. Then Mr. Baldwin discovered it was his own pipe which his wife had given to the "Parliament and Premiership" exhibition. There it lay, homely but glorified, along with Wellington's cocked hat, Disraeli's chancellor's robe, "Baldour's" golf sticks, Asquith's chess set and Lloyd George's fountain pen with which he signed the Treaty of Versailles.

Mr. Baldwin spent a long time over the case of Gladstone's relics, many of which have never been exhibited in public before. Among them were several poems written at Eton, including a translation from Goethe and several verses in Italian. Gladstone's account book at Eton, written in a neat, small script, and kept with meticulous accuracy, contained the following entries: "1824, Oct. 25—Seeing wild beasts at Windsor Fair, one shilling." "1825, March 14—Lost at cards, one shilling." "May 11—Tossed up and lost one half-penny July 10—Three beggars each one penny." "1826, Aug. 28—To poor old woman 1/6; one shilling." The collection of Prime Ministers' photographs and documents included pencil notes by Lloyd George for a speech just before the armistice, in which he said: "We have seen many military empires rise and fall. Here is another added to the list." In the gallery of Premiers' portraits Ramsay MacDonald is shown smoking a pipe, but Mr. Baldwin appears without one.

London Honors John Bunyan; Forgets His Wife

London, Dec. 22.—Queen's Hall was crowded for the celebration of the third centenary of John Bunyan's birth. The Prime Minister sent a glowing tribute to Bunyan's genius. The Archbishop of Canterbury, who presided, read a prayer for the "Pilgrim's Progress," which he said he had read forty times and at each reading found it as fresh and vivid as ever, and the Home Secretary added a prayer.

But no one mentioned Mrs. Bunyan, his wife, when he was sixteen years of age and a soldier in the parliamentary army. She brought him, as her only marriage portion, two books, "The Plain Man's Pathway to Heaven" and "The Practice of Piety." Bunyan at this time, as was usual even in the parliamentarian days, was a soldier and swore not a little, and a wife, with the help of these books, turned him into a pious man. So complete was his conversion that, reading the Bible that the Israelites were chosen people because they were descended from the Jews, and he bitterly disappointed when he was told that they were not.

Later he took to preaching and was called to Bedford Jail, under Charles I. of England, because he did not use the Prayer Book and preached a conventicle. He was in jail for seven years, and here he wrote "The Pilgrim's Progress." But he did not have a bad time in prison. Indeed, he is said to have enjoyed it, and he is said to have written to his wife to let him out regularly, the understanding that he would be back, which his wife did, and Bunyan would then go out and read at the very offence for which he had been imprisoned.

Deep Sea Boy Scouts Baden-Powell Plan

London, Dec. 22.—Boy Scouts are going to make their appearance in the high seas, according to the plan of Sir Robert Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scout movement. His intention is to establish "Deep Sea Scouts," with the object of carrying the Scout spirit afloat and encouraging all boys who work on ocean-going ships. These cabinboys, messboys and deck hands, on all the great liner companies, will be organized into Scout troops and will work in conjunction with Scouts they meet in seaports.

According to Scout authorities here, it is not a single big report in the world in which the Boy Scout movement has not obtained a foothold, so that when the Deep Sea Scouts will be received by brother Scouts ashore and be shown hospitality.

Whole Nation Shows Affection For King

London, Dec. 22.—It would have been some consolation for King George as he lay battling for his life had he been aware of the anxiety with which every phase of his illness was being followed by his subjects.

This real and genuine concern is the King's reward for a life wholly devoted to the adequate discharge of the duties of his station. Britain has never had a King more punctilious in carrying out conscientiously the tasks imposed upon him, and his character has developed during the years of kingship.

The war was the testing period, and King George emerged triumphantly from that great trial of personality and character. No one who was in London at the date when the Armistice was proclaimed will ever forget the scene at Buckingham Palace. Moved by one spontaneous impulse, the whole population of London tried to make its way to Buckingham Palace to share with their Sovereign that wonderful moment of triumph. No gorgeous procession or cheering throngs could have

Crowds Pray for King's Recovery As They Stir Big Christmas Pudding

London, Dec. 22.—There were many expressions of loyalty at the making of the King's Christmas pudding at the Cookery and Food Exhibition at Olympia. For seven hours there was a steady stream of people to take part in the first public stirring. The queue included girl guides, nurses, boy scouts, commissionaires, sea scouts, policemen, soldiers in khaki and scarlet and new boys. Two baby girls, one eighteen months and the other about six months, were helped by their mothers to move the wooden spoon through the mixture.

HUMORISTS MUST LAY OFF NEW BANK OF ENGLAND NOTES

London, Dec. 22.—The new £100 Bank of England notes are crisp and printed on stronger paper than the Treasury notes.

The £1 note is printed in green ink with an underlying cross-hatched tint of blue. The 10s. note is printed in reddish brown with a pale underlying tint of mauve. These colors are a reversal of the existing order and have been criticized on that account. They are gradually to replace the Treasury notes which were introduced in August, 1914.

The design is simple. On the ten-shilling note, Britannia on the face, with "Bank of England," etc., in the center. At the foot is a blank circle, which, on close observation, reveals Britannia's head in watermark.

The face of the one-pound note is similar, but for the designation of the value. In a flourishing design on the back St. George and the dragon are twice imprinted, with a narrow strip of the top depicting the Bank of England.

The new banknotes are to replace Treasury notes to the value of £285,000,000 now in circulation.

Persons found defacing them with writing or in any other way, will be liable to imprisonment for not more than two years, or to a fine of not more than £100, or to both.

Many people are asking why Bank of England notes have been introduced to replace the Treasury notes. The explanation is that Treasury notes were only a temporary feature of the money system, and as long ago as 1914 the Cunliffe committee recommended their ultimate replacement by Bank of England notes, but for as long the idea was not put into effect, as it was thought there might be a return to the use of gold coinage.

Bright Clothes Of Lady Astor Stir House Row

London, Dec. 22.—Women members of Parliament were indignant at the House of Commons when Lady Astor appeared in a vivid red dress and hat. "It is high time the House of Commons conquered its prejudices against women members appearing in colors," said Miss Helen Waddell, "Of course, we do not want a fashion parade in the House, but all this fuss because a woman happens to turn up in a color dress is ridiculous. Before this it has been the custom among us to wear sombre clothes, such as black or navy blue, but we waste a lot of time doing so. It means we have to go to the trouble of changing every time we go into the House."

Miss Susan Lawrence, the oldest woman member, said that the clothes of a man or woman member were entirely his or her own business.

As for Lady Astor, she seemed more astonished than anyone else at the sensation her red dress caused. It was learned to-day that she came straight to Parliament from her home and did not change into a sombre dress because she wanted to be in time for the discussion on Miss Margaret Bondfield's boot and shoe bill for poor children.

London, Dec. 22.—The first bill to be sponsored entirely by women members of the House of Commons has been presented by Miss Margaret Bondfield, Labor member for Wandsworth and member of the Overseas Settlement Committee.

It would provide public funds to aid troops on their respective ships. By the time the Scout movement celebrates its twenty-first birthday with a big jamboree here next summer it is hoped that Deep Sea Scouts will be making all the news of the world.

ENGLAND'S NEW ARCHBISHOP ENTHRONED

With impressive ceremonies and in the presence of 5,000 pilgrims, Dr. Cosmo Gordon Lang, late Archbishop of York, was enthroned as Archbishop of Canterbury and Primate of all England. Here is a view of the crowd that gathered after his enthronement. Inset shows the new Archbishop pronouncing the benediction.

Roman Chariot Racing Revived In England to Satisfy Betting Demand

London, Dec. 22.—After making due allowance for the depreciation in the value of money since the war, the fact remains that people of all classes are spending far more on pleasure than at any previous period in our history. Professional football on Saturday afternoons is no longer the sole amusement of the working classes, for last Summer tracks for greyhound racing were laid, all over the country and now provide excitement on almost every evening of the week. Hundreds of thousands of people have become regular spectators, and the promoters of this form of entertainment in many cases have made considerable fortunes.

Shortly we are promised a new sport more thrilling than any yet seen in this country. The idea originated from the "chariot racing" seen in the film, "Ben Hur," which enjoyed an immense success all over the kingdom. Chariot racing will open at a greyhound track in Glasgow early in January. First there will be a parade of sixty horses, ten drivers, six chariots and six trumpeters all dressed in distinctive costume.

Each race will be of four laps, and the thrills will be at the bends, for it is there that the skill of the drivers will be tested. Loss of balance may easily result in the driver being thrown out.

There will be six races on each programme, in two there will compete two chariots each drawn by four horses; the remaining four races will be contested by four chariots each drawn by two horses.

Unfortunately, there will be betting, which has become such an undesirable feature of greyhound racing that a bill is before Parliament with the object of giving power to local authorities to prohibit the laying of tracks within their areas. Nevertheless, there are those who consider it is better people should spend time in the open air, even though they lose money, than that they should sit in public houses and impair their health and morals.

London Marks Anniversary of First Aeroplane

London, Dec. 22.—The new hall of the Science Museum was the scene of a unique celebration last Monday. The Council of the Royal Aeronautical Society marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of the first aeroplane flight by dining in the shadow of the original Wright biplane that is housed in the museum.

No one present was able to claim the distinction of having witnessed that historic event. On that cold December day a quarter of a century ago only five people besides the Wright brothers ventured out to the lonely sandhills of North Carolina, and none has left so much as his name on record. At that time in several civilized countries scientists and the general public alike were growing rather tired of being invited to witness intended flights that never took place.

Even those who did see the Wright machine leave the ground under its own power must have been disappointed. The longest flight that day was only fifty-nine seconds, and many experienced, including the Wrights themselves, had remained much longer in the air in motorless gliders.

The difference between this feeble "hop" and all previous attempts at power-driven flight lay not so much in the fact of achievement as in the amount of real understanding of the problem possessed by the Wrights.

Various attempts have been made to whittle down the credit due to these modest experimenters. Their claims have never been disputed in this country, however, and that is why the Royal Aeronautical Society of Great Britain enjoyed the privilege of honoring the Wrights in the presence of the actual aeroplane that made history.

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Last Pope Not Buried Yet

Rome, Dec. 22.—A curious fact concerning the memorial to Pope Benedict XV, which has just been unveiled in St. Peter's, Rome, is that its erection precedes the burial of the late Pontiff, though he died so long ago as 1922.

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ENOUGH POWER FROM TIDES TO RUN EUROPE, SAYS G.B.S.

London, Dec. 22.—Speaking at Weymouth Garden City at a meeting held on behalf of the Miners' Distress Fund, George Bernard Shaw said:

"My early experience of poverty made me firmly resolve never to get into contact with it again."

"I have never been down a coal mine," he said, "because no one has ever offered to pay me to do so. I can imagine no human being wanting to go down one unless he is very handsomely paid to do so. I am here to-day as an attraction. It may be because of my good looks. A large section of the public want to see the animal and to hear him. They are attracted by a sort of incredulity as to whether it can be real."

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Sir James Barrie Springs a Few Jokes

London, Dec. 22.—Sir James Barrie, speaking at the annual dinner of the Society of Authors, recalled his early days as a writer, and recounted some reminiscences of Meredith and Thomas Hardy. He said:

"I wish I were famous; I mean just for this one night so that I could do you credit. Even then I wouldn't take it on, unless I had a return ticket. A friend of mine once said to me, 'Everybody is famous for something, and you are famous for living opposite Bernard Shaw.' And now Mr. Shaw has gone from his flat in the Adelphi. Little wonder what he has taken away of mine. Could I bring an action against him?"

A SCOTCH PROBLEM "In Scotland at social functions, the great problem of a hostess is which of the clergymen present she should ask to say grace at the Children's Hour. There must be some apparently good reason or the feelings of the others will be lacerated. I have heard her ask, without a quiver, 'Will you say grace, Mr. So-and-so, as you are nearest the door.' 'Ladies and gentlemen, I see now why you elected me your president; it was because I was nearest the door on for him.'"

Quite a nice reason, but nothing great about it. Is there no inspired dramatist present who can give me a better entrance? Yes, there is. Suddenly everyone in the room, including myself, realizes that I shall be famous in the hereafter as the last male president of the Society of Authors.

HARDY AND BROADCASTING "Once when I was in Dorchester," continued Sir James, "Hardy showed me a letter from a firm which had presented him with a broadcasting set. They said they were delighted to hear from him that it gave pleasure, but that they were rather damped to learn from another source that it was not he who listened, but his dog! It was, quite true. We went that afternoon to a local rehearsal of the play of 'Tess,' and the dog, who was with us, behaved beautifully until the time came when he knew the wireless would be put on for the Children's Hour. It was his favorite item. He howled for it so that even Tess's champion had to desert her and hurry home with him. The dog afterwards discovered that a weather report, or something of the kind, was issued in the early morning, and I understand his master used to go downstairs in the cold and turn it on for him."

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SHIPBUILDING ORDERS POUR IN ON BRITISH

Better Times This Winter Seen in Clyde, Mersey and Tyne Yards

London, Dec. 22.—The British shipbuilding industry, for so long depressed, has in recent weeks shown signs of coming to life. The shipyards on the Clyde, Mersey and Tyne are now looking forward to an active winter.

The Clyde shipyards alone have contracts for thirty vessels aggregating more than 150,000 tons dead weight. As there are always some orders which are never made public, these figures are really an understatement.

Of the thirty vessels admittedly contracted for, only one is a big liner—the 40,000-ton Canadian Pacific Empire of Britain. The others are mostly high-class tramp steamers for general cargo trade; two are Indian passenger and cargo boats and one—a large cargo vessel—will be motor-driven.

Not all the new contracts come from Great Britain or the Dominions. One shipyard manager, tired of his idle plant, went to America this autumn and returned with a pocket full of orders.

At least a score of the ships will be used for transporting the unprecedented grain harvest from Canada. The Moss Line, Blue Funnel Line, Lamport & Holt Line and others are having vessels built in England during the coming winter.

One Blue Star liner for the South American trade will be constructed on Tyne and will, it is estimated, cost \$2,000,000.

Norway, who is swiftly driving British whalers from the Antarctic, has ordered seven whaling ships built here, including one giant of 20,000 tons. At West Hartlepool shipyard will also down the ways some time early in the Spring.

In Sunderland twenty ships, aggregating 168,000 tons, have been contracted for.

The natural inference from these conditions is that British shipbuilding is in for old-time prosperity. But cautious shipping men are not entirely pleased by these new orders.

They are afraid speculation in shipbuilding will set in, with high wages and high prices for materials demanded before there is any counterbalancing increase in profits.

Widow Seeks Estate Of "Sahara Emperor"

London, Dec. 22.—There has been long litigation over the estate of Jacques Lebaudy, the eccentric millionaire, who styled himself "Emperor of the Sahara," and who subsequently went to America with a woman named Marguerite Belliere.

After living with him for many years and giving him a daughter, Jacqueline, Madame Belliere shot "the Emperor" dead in Long Island City in 1919, but was acquitted. She then put in a claim for Jacques Lebaudy's estate on the ground that she was his legal common-law wife, a claim which was allowed by the American courts.

After this success in America, Madame Belliere, who had meanwhile married a M. Sudreau, while her daughter, Jacqueline, married his son, asked the French courts to ratify the American finding in order that she might claim Lebaudy's considerable French estate. The French lower courts found that she had failed to establish her claim as Lebaudy's wife, and the Court of Appeal has now upheld this judgment.

THE CLEVEREST DOG IN THE WORLD Is there any dog in the world that can equal the performance of Fellow, a German sheep dog now in America? He understands, it is claimed, 400 words of English. His owner, Jacob Herbert, bought him when he was a puppy, and has trained him so carefully that he has undergone a successful examination of his abilities before Professor C. J. Warden and Dr. L. H. Warner of the psychology class of Columbia University. There is no question of Fellow having been trained to do a string of tricks. He understands the significance of words, unaccompanied by gestures.

Mr. Herbert will say to him: "You may go to the lady on your right and lay your head on her lap," or "Do you think you could find the elevator, the one on the left?" or "Suppose you crawl under the table and put your paws on the window-sill," and Fellow obeys faithfully.

Mr. Herbert does not give commands. He just makes conversational suggestions. Fellow discriminates between men and women, between the person on the left and the one on the right, the little girl in the front row and the little boy in the back.

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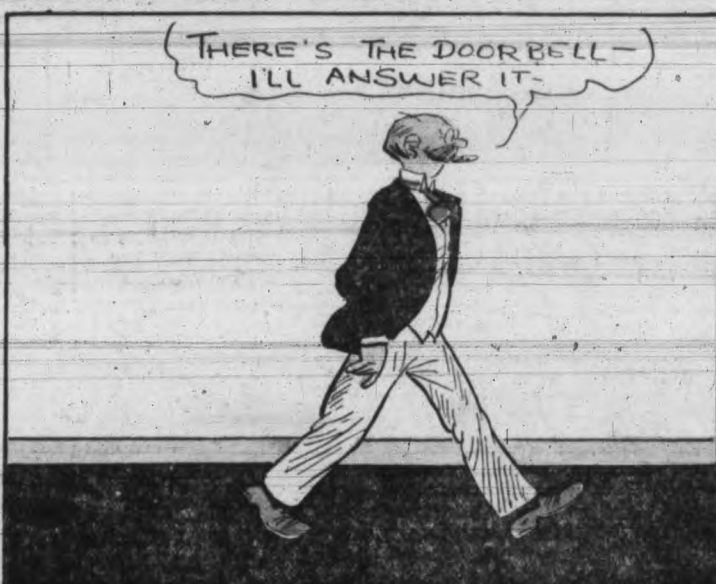
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"MERRY
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Mr. and Mrs. - By Briggs



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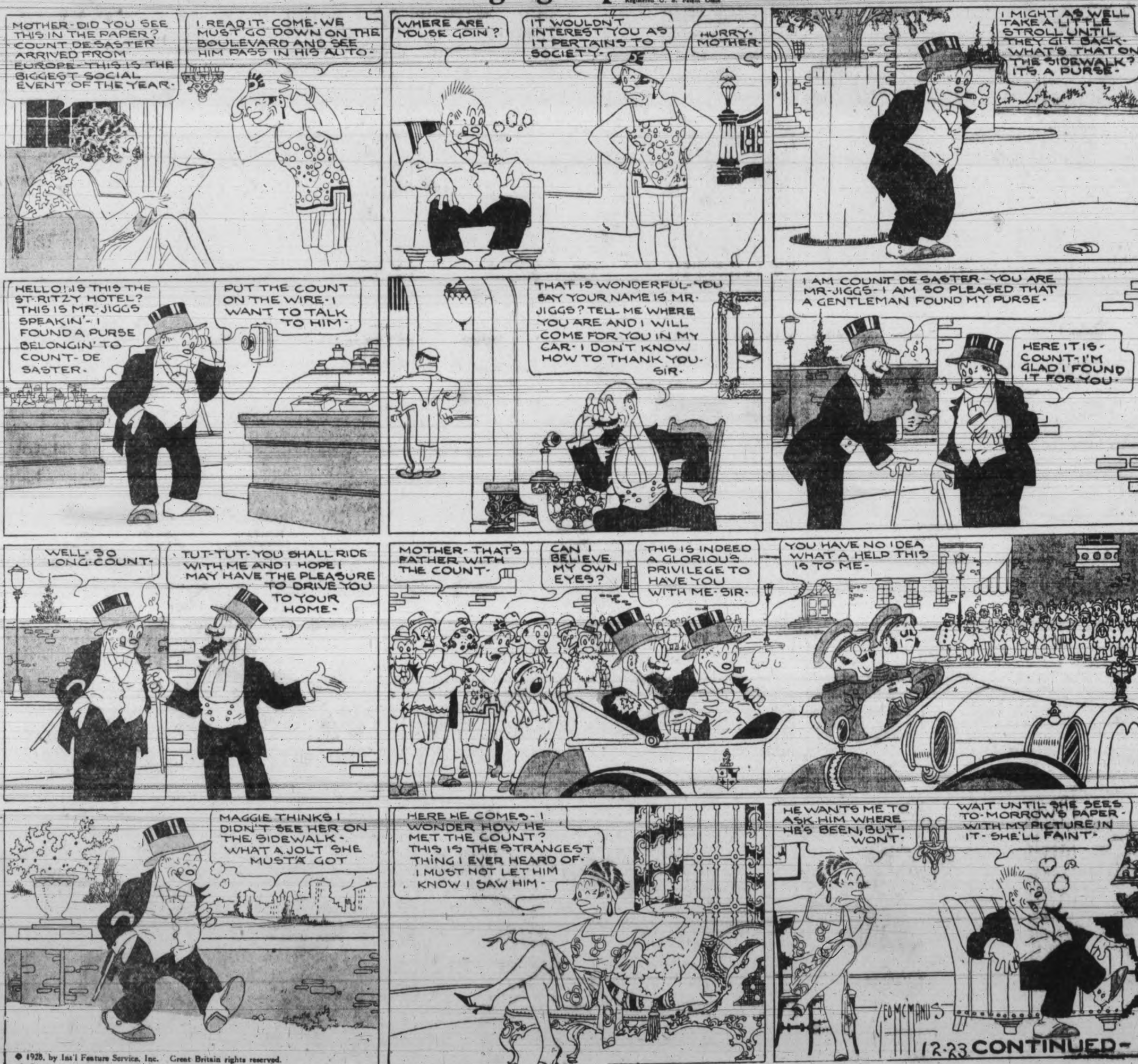
**Rosie's
BEAU**
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Bringing Up Father

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THE VAN SWAGGERS
BY RUSS WESTOVER
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DRIVE OVER TO THE FACTORY, VAN. I WANT YOU TO MEET THE PRESIDENT OF THE JAZ-GUM COMPANY. THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO GET SOME STOCK.

I LIKED THE IDEA RIGHT FROM THE START, JERRY.

MR. SCROGAN. I WANT YOU TO MEET MY FRIEND AND PROSPECTIVE STOCK-HOLDER, MR. VAN SWAGGER.

PLEASED TO MEET YOU. HAVE A CHAIR.

YOU MUST UNDERSTAND, MR. VAN SWAGGER, THAT THIS JAZ-GUM BUSINESS IS STRICTLY A FAMILY PROPOSITION. WE ARE ONLY LETTING IN A FEW OUTSIDE STOCK HOLDERS BECAUSE OF THEIR EXCEPTIONALLY HIGH POSITION IN THE COMMUNITY.

MAN: JAZ-GUM IS GOING TO BE THE UNIVERSAL PASTIME. THE GUM THAT WILL BE ON EVERYBODY'S LIPS - THE GUM YOU CAN STRUM! EVERY STOCK-HOLDER WILL BE A MILLIONAIRE IN NO TIME.

WELL, GENTLEMEN. I HAVE TO HOLD A CONFERENCE WITH OUR PRODUCTION MANAGER. IF YOU WANT TO BE IN TUNE WITH THE UNIVERSE CHEW JAZ-GUM. HOW'S THAT?

I CAN SEE MR. SCROGAN HAS GOT YOU FIGURING, VAN.

YEH, HOW TO GET HOLD OF SOME MONEY TO BUY STOCK.

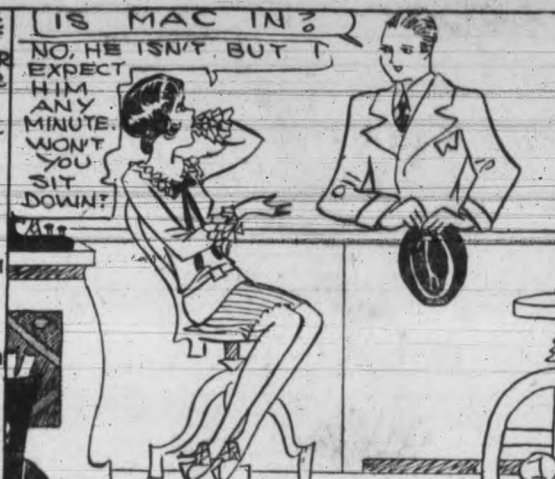


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Tillie the Toiler
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TILLIE IS MAC IN?

OWES HER MOTHER \$20 AND MAC \$20. SHE ALSO OWES THE FIRM \$35. LET'S SEE HOW SHE'S GOING TO PAY HER DEBTS.



THANKS, BUT I GUESS I WON'T WAIT FOR HIM. JUST TELL HIM KEN SMITH WAS IN TO SEE HIM.

ALL RIGHT, MR. SMITH.



I DIDN'T KNOW THAT MAC HAD SUCH A GOOD LOOKING FRIEND AS MR. SMITH. HE'S CERTAINLY A TREAT FOR SORE EYES.



OH, MAC. THERE WAS A FELLOW NAMED KEN SMITH LOOKING FOR YOU AWHILE AGO.

YES, I KNOW, TILLIE. I MET HIM IN THE HALL. LISTEN, COULD YOU LET ME HAVE \$5 OF THAT TWENTY YOU OWE ME. I WOULDN'T ASK YOU FOR IT BUT I NEED IT RIGHT AWAY.

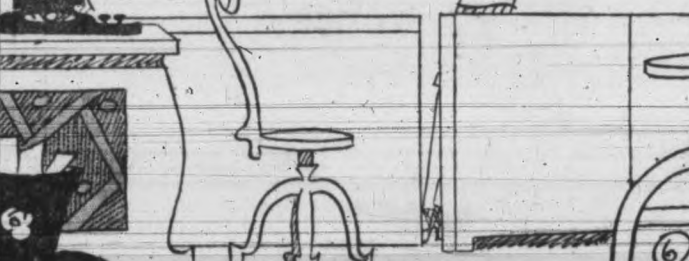


I WISH I COULD GIVE IT TO YOU, BUT I HAVEN'T GOT IT THIS WEEK, MAC.



BALONEY! I'LL NEVER LEND YOU ANOTHER CENT.

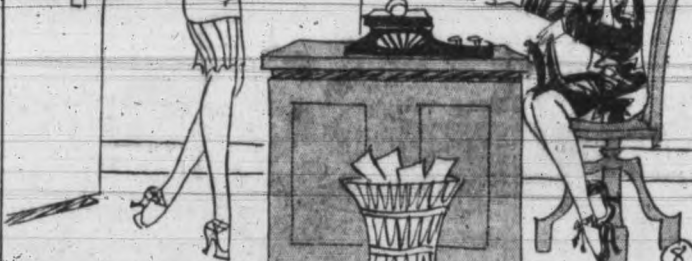
GOSH, MAC WENT RIGHT OUT AGAIN. MAYBE THAT GOOD LOOKING FRIEND OF HIS WANTED TO BORROW \$5 FROM HIM.



LISTEN, MAC. WAIT HERE A MINUTE. I THINK I CAN GET THAT FOR YOU.



SAY, BUBBLES. I GOTTA HAVE \$5 QUICK. COULD YOU LET ME HAVE IT UNTIL PAY-DAY?



SURE, TILLIE. HERE IT IS.

HERE'S THE FIVE, MAC.

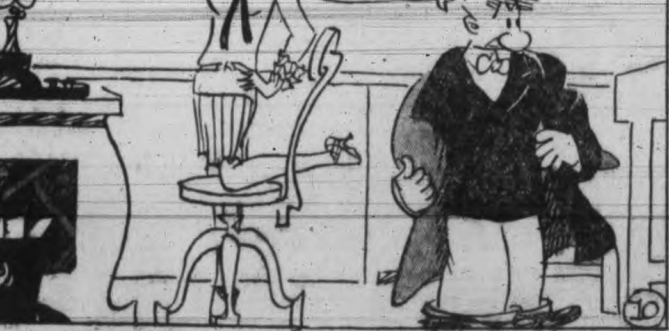
THANKS. I WANT YOU TO MEET MY FRIEND, KEN SMITH, TILLIE.

I'M CERTAINLY PLEASSED TO MEET YOU.



I ONLY OWE YOU \$15 NOW, MAC.

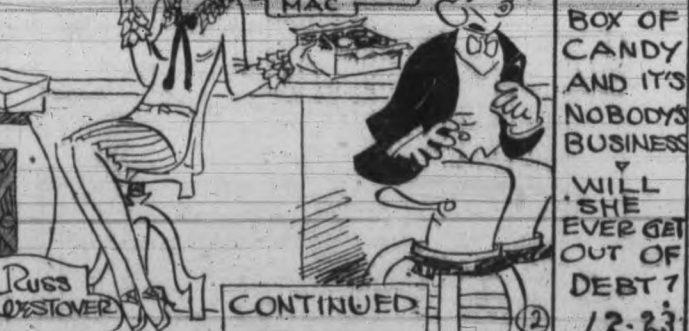
YEH, I LOANED THE \$5 TO MY FRIEND SMITH. HE SAID HE APPRECIATED YOUR KINDNESS.



A PACKAGE FROM THE SWEET-SHOP FOR MISS TILLIE.



IT'S FROM YOUR FRIEND, KEN SMITH. HOW LOVELY! A FIVE-DOLLAR BOX OF CANDY. HAVE ONE, MAC.



TILLIE STILL OWES \$15 BUT SHE'S IN A BOX OF CANDY AND IT'S NOBODY'S BUSINESS WILL SHE EVER GET OUT OF DEBT? 12-23

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Russ Westover

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Regular FELLERS

by Gene BYRNES

Dear Jimmie:

Just because you're the best boy in the whole neighborhood I thought it was only fair to be very generous with the presents this year. I love you very much and only hope you feel the same way about it. If you only say the word we'll be pals forever!

Your old side kick
Santa Claus